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Hitler Playing The Same Old Tune

Blames Britain In
Reichstag Speech

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—Speaking to-day at a session of the Reichstag, Hitler said that at a time when deeds are everything, "I do not intend to come before you more than is absolutely necessary. I turned to you for the first time at the outbreak of war, when, thanks to Franco-British conspiracy against peace, every attempt at a settlement with Poland, otherwise certainly possible, had failed.

"All my attempts to reach, with Britain particularly, permanent and friendly co-operation were frustrated by the wish of a small clique which turned down every German proposal for an understanding.

Unchanged Theme

"The moving spirit of this plan, as I said, was Hitler, and it was at that time Churchill and his assistants, the men who now form his government.

"The strongest open and concealed support was accorded these efforts by the so-called great democracies on both sides of the ocean. At a time when, in the eyes of the world, among nations, responsible men there with their falling act of government considered that they could best master problems for which there was no longer any solution by a successful war. Behind them stood great international Jewish banks and exchanges.

Arrival of Hitler

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—Hitler's arrival at the Reichstag building was heralded by the playing of "Deutschland Über Alles."

After a two-minute pause, Hitler entered the hall and all members of the Reichstag rose to his feet. The members of Reichstag stood in memory of some dozen members who have fallen in battle and whose names were read out by Marshal Goebbels.

Hitler began speaking shortly after 6 p.m. and was greeted with tremendous applause and shouts of "Sieg Heil!"

Referring to his so-called peace offer after the fall of France, Hitler said that European war-mongers succeeded in inducing the population to continue the struggle and, as once before, they were again ready to sacrifice the blood of nations.

Two Nazis Brought Down Over Malta

MALTA, May 4 (Reuter).—Two separate waves of enemy aircraft heavily raided Malta on Saturday night.

Bombs were dropped indiscriminately, damaging civilian and government property.

Two German bombers were brought down for certain and a third was damaged.

A few people were killed and a few were seriously injured.

Roosevelt Says U.S. Ready To Fight For Democracy

STAUNTON, Virginia, May 4 (Reuter).—Speaking at the dedication of President Woodrow Wilson's birthplace as a national shrine, President Roosevelt declared that the American people had fought before and were "ever ready to fight again" for the existence of "democracy in the world."

The President said that Wilson taught that democracy could not survive in isolation. "We applaud his judgment and his faith."

Declaring the Manse, where Wilson was born, "a new shrine of freedom," President Roosevelt said that by the act of dedication "we are bearing true witness to the faith that is in us, a simple faith in the freedom of democracy in the world. It is the kind of faith for which we have fought before and for the existence of which we are ever ready to fight again."

Triumphant End

President Roosevelt expressed his faith that democracy would emerge triumphant from "the tragic conflict which the world witnesses to-day. All recorded history bears witness that the human race has made true advancement only as it has appreciated human values. Those unhappy peoples who placed their sole reliance on the sword have inevitably perished by the sword in the end. Physical strength can never permanently withstand the impact of spiritual force."

HALF OF IRAQI AIR FORCE DESTROYED IN FIERCE R.A.F. RAIDS

CAIRO, MAY 4 (REUTER).—HALF THE IRAQI AIR FORCE HAS BEEN DESTROYED OR PUT OUT OF ACTION, ACCORDING TO A SPECIAL R.A.F. COMMUNIQUE ISSUED HERE TO-NIGHT.

IT STATES: "BOMBER AIRCRAFT OF THE R.A.F. CARRIED OUT ANOTHER HEAVY ATTACK ON THE IRAQI AERODROME AT MOASCAR RASCHID TO-DAY. SEVERE DAMAGE WAS CAUSED TO THE AERODROME BUILDINGS AND WORKSHOPS AND AT LEAST 22 IRAQI AIRCRAFT WERE PUT OUT OF ACTION.

BOMBERS SINK ENEMY SHIPS

Skilful Action By R.A.F.

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 4 (UP).—Describing Saturday's daylight attacks on shipping in the Straits of Dover by the R.A.F., the Air Ministry states that off Gravesend, which is situated between Dunkirk and Calais, bombers attacked a 2,000-ton ship which was being accompanied by two smaller ships of about 500 tons each.

Raids On N. African Coastline

R.A.F. Communique

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers continued to harass the enemy in Cirenaica throughout Saturday and the previous night. The aerodrome at Benina was heavily attacked at night. Two Junkers troop-carriers were destroyed by bombs and machine-gun fire and many others were severely damaged.

The aerodrome was again severely bombed in daylight on Saturday and many other Junkers troop-carriers were damaged.

In Benghazi a large fire and violent explosions were caused on military objectives.

Helping Land Forces

The R.A.F. has again given continuous powerful air support to successful operations of British ground forces in the Amba Alagi and Fala Pass areas in Abyssinia.

Great destruction was caused to enemy fortifications, motor transport and supplies by bombs and machine-gun attacks.

Heavy casualties were inflicted on enemy troops.

From all these operations, adds the communique, all our aircraft returned safely.

"After several direct hits had been scored, the larger ship settled down by the stern with clouds of smoke and steam rising from it.

"One of the smaller ships was also hit and was left with her bows awash. Both vessels are claimed to be total losses."

Another formation of bombers, escorted by fighters, attacked ships off Boulogne. They were under heavy gunfire from the shore batteries as well as from the ships, but while fighters were coming up from the French coast, they attacked, set on fire and probably sunk a supply ship of 5,000 tons.

Bombing of Brest

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—"Owing to the receipt of bombing raids on Brest," where the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau are lying, Admiral Darlan, according to a Paris dispatch to the official German news agency, has decided that all workers in Brest harbour who are heads of families shall receive an additional allowance of 300 francs a month.

Attack on Convoy

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuter).—An R.A.F. communique reports that R.A.F. bombers on May 2 attacked a convoy of enemy merchant ships, escorted by destroyers, in the Mediterranean. Direct hits were made on the destroyers and three merchant ships of 12,000, 8,000 and 4,000 tons respectively.

Air Display In Manila

New U. S. Commander
Welcomed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MANILA, May 4 (UP).—Thirty-six United States Army pursuit planes flew over Manila and Cavite in formation to-day as a welcome to Brigadier-General Henry B. Claggett, former Commander of Selfridge Field, Michigan, who arrived on the American Clipper.

General Claggett will be the first Air Corps General Officer Commanding the Air Forces of the Philippines—indicative of the stress the United States Army is placing on the building up of its air strength in the Philippines with new planes and personnel.

General Claggett was stationed in the Philippines from 1908 to 1910 as an infantry lieutenant. Mr. Henry R. Luce, author and editor of "Time" and "Life" also arrived on the Clipper with his wife, Mrs. Luce. They are en route to Chungking.

Writer-Politician Dies

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Ramsay Muir, one of the most prominent members of the Liberal Party and a noted writer on historical, municipal and economic subjects, died to-day aged 80. He resigned from University professorship and became a member of the Parliament in 1910. He was married and had three children.

A number of air combats occurred resulting in several hostile aircraft being disabled.

A railway line was bombed and an armoured train turned back.

Many raids were made on Iraqi gun positions, mechanised units and troop concentrations outside Habbaniyah and many direct hits were obtained. These targets were bombed throughout the day.

In a later raid on Moascar Raschid aerodrome, direct hits were registered on sheds, buildings and aircraft. One aircraft was destroyed on the ground and there were near misses on several others.

Two Iraqi fighters that attempted to intercept our bombers were shot down.

Our aircraft returned safely to their bases.

The 25 Iraqi aircraft destroyed would appear to represent half the Iraqi air force which, at the outbreak of the war on September 3 1939, numbered 50, including 36 front line machines.

Key Points Occupied

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that British troops have occupied the airport, dock area and power station at Basra.

The Iraqis agreed to withdraw their forces but despite an extension of the time allowed, failed to do so and the British forces drove them out by bombing and artillery fire.

A Cairo communique says: R.A.F. bombers heavily attacked petrol dumps and magazines at an Iraqi aerodrome outside Baghdad. Bombs demolished military buildings and damaged aircraft on the ground.

Raschid's Aerodrome Raided

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuter).—British bombers heavily attacked petrol dumps and magazines at Moascar, Raschid's aerodrome outside Baghdad, obtaining many direct hits and demolishing military buildings.

Bombs were also seen to turn over and damage aircraft on the ground. During this operation, British bombers also shot down an Iraqi aircraft and severely damaged others.

The shelling of Habbaniyah aerodrome by Iraqi guns was resumed early this morning, causing some casualties to non-combatants. In reply British aircraft bombed and machine-gunned mechanised transport with the result that the shelling was reduced.

False Sanctuary

SIMLA, May 4 (Reuter).—When tension in Iraq became acute, Rashid Ali offered facilities to the British Minister for the removal of British women and children from Baghdad to the shelter of the R.A.F. station. TURN to Back Page, Column 5

LATEST

Night Soil Coolies At Govt House

Another demonstration was staged by the unemployed night soil coolies this morning, when about 2,000 of them, mostly women, with children, marched from Caine Road to Government House.

They were headed by a "banner bearing the inscription: 'His Excellency the Governor, Mercy, Restore our Living, Night Soil Carriers.'"

Arriving at Government House, they proceeded to squat down in Upper Albert Road, Garden Road and around the outside of the Botanical Gardens.

An emergency police van arrived to keep order, the police being led by A.S.P. Luceombe.

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Appeal By Deposed Regent

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—His Royal Highness Emir Abdul Illah has issued a proclamation in Palestine calling on Iraqis to rise against Rashid Ali and asserting that Rashid Ali and other ill-disposed persons bought by foreign gold have by force "thrust me from my sacred duties as the guardian of my nephew, your beloved young King."

Abdul Illah declares: "Under their evil sway, the noble land of Iraq has been poisoned by falsehood and lies and brought from the blessings of peace to the horrors of a venomous war."

Returning To Iraq

"My duty is plain. I am returning to restore the tarnished honour of my native land and lead it back to peaceful prosperity under a lawfully constituted government. I call upon all true sons of Iraq to drive out this band of traitors and restore to our beloved country true liberty and independence. Recall your sons and brothers from this war brought upon your hands by lies and intrigues of foreigners thinking only of their selfish interests."

"Soldiers! Go peacefully to your stations and there peacefully await my restoration of an independent Iraqi constitutional government. 'Long Live King Faisal III!'"

British Night Fighters Establish New Record

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—Destruction by fighters of 14 of the 16 enemy bombers shot down during Saturday night was the Fighter Command's most successful night of the war, states the Air Ministry.

Further claims for destruction of others are being investigated. The highest number of raiders previously brought down in one night was 13 and of these one was brought down by anti-aircraft fire and another by unspecified means.

Last night's achievement brings the total down over Britain in the first three nights in May to 21.

In addition, one was brought down by British fighters over France on Friday night. Of 103 brought down in raids on Britain in April, 84 fell to British fighters.

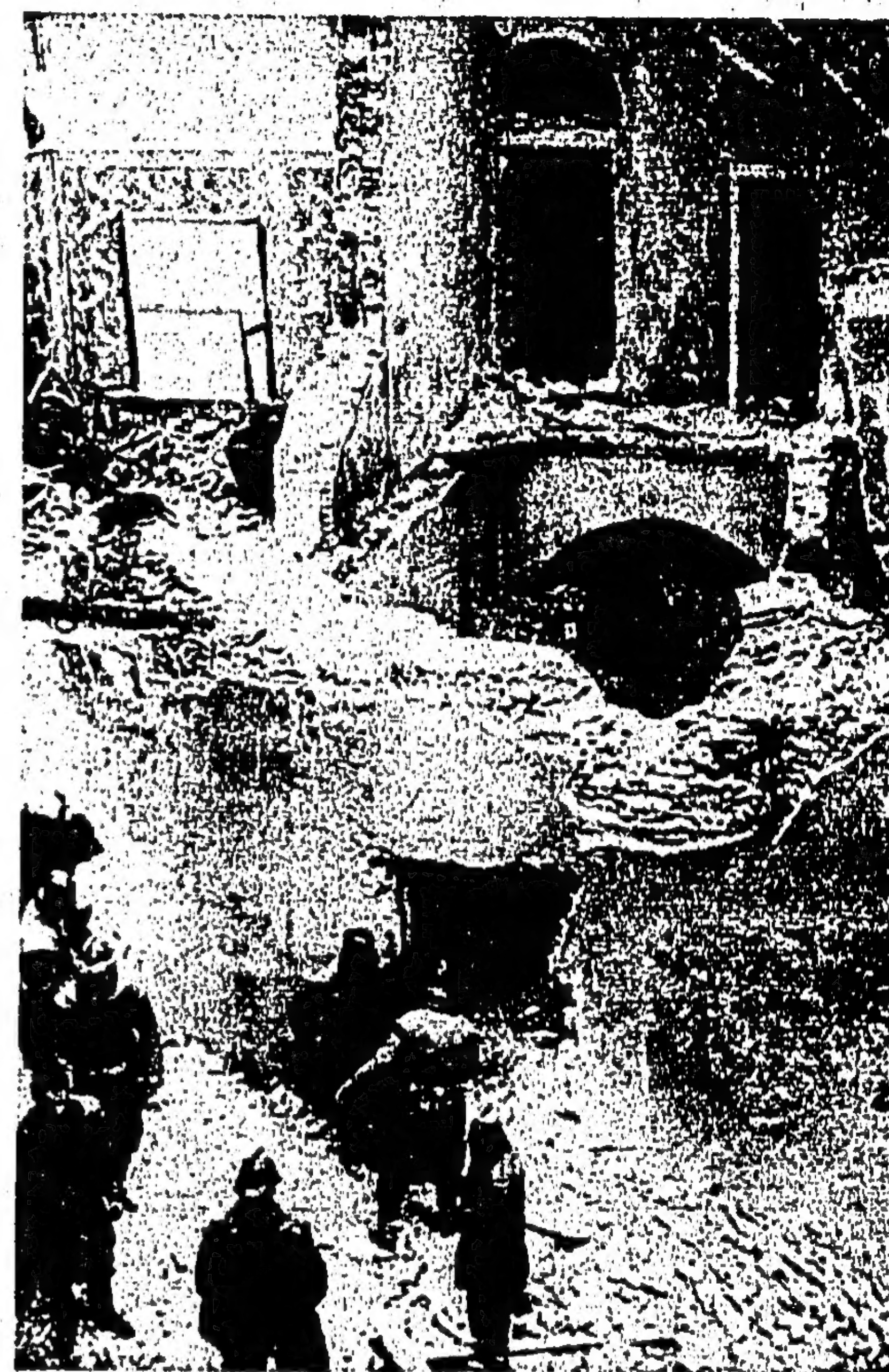
Since the war began, the Luftwaffe in day and night raids on Britain has now lost 332 planes.

Effective Night Fighters

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—Concluding that 10 enemy aircraft were

After R.A.F. Visit to Milan

This was one of the effects of a recent raid by the Royal Air Force on Milan. Italian firemen are seen at work on a wrecked building. Milan was not the only town to feel the power of the British bombers. Other towns in northern Italy were visited at the same time.



Gallant Role by R.A.F. In Greece Evacuation

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—The great part played by the Royal Air Force in the withdrawal of the Empire force from Greece is told by the Air Ministry news service.

Thousands of men and women, it says, were evacuated by the R.A.F. while British fighters, heavily outnumbered, guarded the continuous stream of ships that went back and forth.

Axis Eyes On Palestine

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, May 4 (UP).—In an editorial in the "Voce d'Italia" to-day, Signor Gayda, commenting on the British situation in the Mediterranean, an following the Greek defeat, hints that the Axis may attack Palestine as well as resume the offensive in Egypt.

He asserted that the Italian forces in Ethiopia are planning the reconquest of lost territory for the moment the British slacken the pressure. He also alleged that the hostilities in Iraq are obliging England to send considerable forces there.

The order for withdrawal set the R.A.F. the biggest task of the campaign, it says. Bombers, flying boats, captured enemy aircraft and British fighters played an outstanding part in getting Empire troops safely away.

All day and all night aircraft of every type—bombers, flying boats, training machines and civil aircraft pecked to capacity with human cargo— flew to safety and returned for more.

The R.A.F. has countless stories of gallantry to tell of the evacuation.

Ships Evacuated

In addition to thousands of men and women brought away by air, thousands more were guarded as they made the journey in big and little ships.

Personnel of no longer existing British air forces in Greece scored perhaps the greatest triumph of six months of arduous campaigning, and though the R.A.F. suffered heavy losses, the enemy suffered far greater.

Air Bases Lost

When, owing to the enemy breakthrough on the left flank, the Army commanders decided to withdraw to a new line, the R.A.F. suffered the severest blow of the campaign. They were forced back to two or three bases only and the odd temporary landing grounds they used at the start. All the new aerodromes which had been built were lost or were too close to the enemy lines to be used.

The enemy hammered at the few remaining bases continuously so that it became impossible to obtain replacements of aircraft. Nevertheless, the available planes took off at all times and inflicted great damage on the enemy forces.

Six Months' Campaign

Details of the campaign before Germany invaded Greece show that at the end of six months of arduous fighting against Italy, R.A.F. bombers had carried out more than 300 raids and nearly 300 enemy aircraft were confirmed as destroyed in the air besides the huge total of aircraft damaged in the air and on the ground.

Hongkong News of the Week

A Page For The Evacuees

Monday

April 28

Italian Priest Fined. Francis Riccardi, the Italian Roman Catholic priest who was charged at Central Magistracy on April 24 with breach of the Defence Regulations—being an enemy alien found in Lau Fau Shan, Ping Shan, a protected area, without the permission of the First Security Officer—was fined \$50 or one month's imprisonment by Mr G. T. Lowry to-day.

The Magistrate said: "As I have received no further information from the Prosecution I must accept your story that you came over from Nantau to buy provisions and for no other purpose. I am therefore imposing a nominal fine. It is emphasized that this is purely a nominal fine."

Chief Det.-Inspector A. H. Elston stated at the previous hearing that Defendant was seen in Lau Fau Shan on the afternoon of April 21. He was not dressed in clerical garb and when questioned said he was a Spanish subject named Lopes. Taken to the cent.

Tuesday

April 29

Badminton Finals. Accommodation at the Kowloon Cricket Club was taxed to capacity to-night when three finals of the badminton championships were decided.

In the senior singles, Patrick Wong unsuccessfully defended his title against K. W. Choy in a one-sided match. Choy took the first game at 15-5 with hardly any opposition. Wong improved slightly in the second game and was successful in a number of dropshots, but was unable to do anything with Choy's smash.

Choy took the second game 15-8. The result of this women's doubles between Miss M. Silva and Miss M. A. Xavier, and Mrs. Zimmermann and Mrs. Toribelle was as expected, the former pair winning 15-7, 15-7. Miss Silva was faultless in her net play and her partner excelled in dropshots which proved effective.

Of the losing pair, Mrs. Toribelle played the better game and was responsible in saving many a point.

In the junior doubles, A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth beat C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier 15-11, 15-14. Both Wynter-Blyth and Fisher brought off good smashes and fine recoveries. The losing pair were both over-anxious, Pereira in smashes and Xavier in net play.

The postponed junior singles semi-final between T. S. Young and D. Chelliah resulted in a win for Young, 15-9, 15-8. Young had his own way in the first game, but Chelliah took a well deserved second game. Young won the third game through many faults.

Reception. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, representing His Majesty the King, replied on behalf of the guests at to-day's reception by the Consul-General for Japan at the Rookery, 40th birthday of His Imperial Japanese Majesty, Emperor Hirohito, K.G., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., was celebrated in traditional manner.

The Consul-General, Mr. S. Yano and the Consul, Mr. S. Kimura, who recently arrived in Hongkong, received the guests, among whom were H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major-General A. E. Grasett, and the Hon. Captain Colinson, Commodore, as well as the official and official members of the Government, members of the Government, the Consular body, and others.

New Pains Judge. Both branches of the legal profession as well as the staff of the Supreme Court, headed by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Attorney General, gathered at the Summery Court to-day to welcome the new Pains Judge, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall.

Introducing the new Judge, the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor

Ping Shan Police Station he admitted who he was and said he had come from Nantau to get provisions for his mission and hospital there.

Asked by His Worship why he called himself a Spanish subject, Defendant said that he gave the excuse "to save his skin."

Imports And Exports. The Superintendent of Imports and Exports has released for publication the following tables of wholesale price index numbers in the Colony of Hongkong.

The index—which is unweighted—has been constructed from declarations furnished to the Statistical Department by Importers.

There was a general average increase of 20.6 per cent. in the 1st Quarter of 1941 as compared with the 1st Quarter of 1940.

The Foodstuffs group increased by 26.3 per cent. in the 1st Quarter of 1941 as compared with the 1st Quarter of 1940; Textiles by 13.3 per cent. Metals and Minerals by 20.8 per cent. and Miscellaneous items by 20.5 per cent.

Mr. Attorney, I present to you and to the members of both branches of the profession my brother Cressall who this morning takes his seat for the first time on the Bench to which he has been appointed.

I have assured my brother that he will find from everyone who practices, before him a high standard of professional attainment and a strict and jealous regard for the etiquette and decencies of the profession, and that he may confidently count on receiving from everyone that same measure of ready and willing assistance which has been always accorded to me and to all the Pains Judges who have sat since I came to Hongkong.

On behalf of myself, the Registrar and every member of the staff of the Court, I extend to my brother Cressall a very warm welcome to Hongkong, and our best wishes for his happiness here.

Attorney General's Welcome

The Attorney General said: Mr. Justice Cressall, I regard it as a great privilege to be present here to-day on behalf of the Officers of this Court and of the members of both branches of the legal profession and to extend to your Lordship a very warm and sincere welcome on your taking your seat on this Colony's Bench for the first time, after a long and distinguished career in His Majesty's service and on the Magisterial and Judicial Bench in British Guiana and Palestine. We feel confident that the happy relations that have been established between the Bench and the officers and practitioners of the Court during the last century will continue to exist under your guidance as Pains Judge of this Colony. We trust that your future here will be as happy as we are able to make it.

Mr. Cressall Replies

Mr. Justice Cressall replied: Mr. Attorney, I would like first of all to express my gratitude to the Chief Justice for his very kind remarks in introducing me to you and also to thank you for the very warm welcome you have addressed me. I can assure you that in my past experience on the Bench there is one outstanding thing that I have always tried to remember and that is that no member of the Judicial Bench can make successful his job unless he has the complete co-operation and friendship of his brother members of the profession. I myself always regard members of the profession as brothers in every sense of the word and I know as I sit here that members of the profession will extend to me the help and assistance that any newcomer to the Bench of this Colony is entitled to ask.

Review Of The Principal Topics

April 27 To May 3

Wednesday

April 30

Hemingway Returns. "Provided they are given the support they have been promised, I see no reason why they cannot continue the fight indefinitely against the Japanese," declared Mr. Ernest Hemingway, noted war correspondent and author, who has just returned to Hongkong after a long tour of the China war fronts.

Mr. Hemingway said that he was most impressed with everything he had seen, especially the Chinese soldiers, whom he saw at work. He did not see much fighting, as things were quiet at the fronts.

During his tour, Mr. Hemingway, who was accompanied by his wife the former Martha Gellhorn and correspondent for Collier's magazine, visited Shuiwan, Kweilin, Kunming, Chungking, and the Hupeh war front.

While in Chungking, Mr. Hemingway had a long interview with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Dr. H. Kung, General Ho Ying-ching, War Minister, and other high officials, while his wife saw Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

Mr. Hemingway flew over part of the Burma Road during his visit to Lashio and Rangoon, and noted long lines of vehicles bringing in supplies to Free China. Supplies were reaching Chungking and other cities, he said, and he did not notice any stoppage of traffic owing to the Japanese bombing of the road.

He concluded by reiterating that he was most impressed with everything he had seen, especially the high morale of the Chinese leaders and the people whom he had met.

In Refugee Camps. Figures of the number of Chinese refugees and destitutes accommodated in the Hongkong Government camps, as supplied by the Medical Department for the week ending April 26, are given below, with figures for April 19 in brackets:

King's Park 1,200 (1,299); Matau-chung 1,605 (1,718); North Point 1,520 (1,519); Morrison Hill 510 (517); Tai Hang squatters camp 2,587 (2,587); Ngau Tau Kok squatters camp 807 (801); Kam Tin 2,318 (2,334); Fanling—Children's Camp 355 (328).

The grand total for April 26 was 11,073, as compared with 10,073 for April 19, showing an increase of 100.

Tennis Championships. Tsui Wai-pul and Tsui Yan-pul entered the final of the Colony's Tennis Doubles Championship to-day when they easily defeated G. W. Sewell and D. M. MacDougall, 6-2, 6-1, 6-2.

Although the standard of the Tsui brothers' play was far above that of their opponents, the game was entirely devoid of interest. There were a number of hard-hitting duels and spectacular volleys in which Sewell and MacDougall acquitted themselves creditably. Sewell was fairly successful with his forehand drives and MacDougall brought off some excellent smashes.

The elder Tsui played far below form, frequently over-hitting and netting easy returns. Yan-pul, however, served and volleyed well. The winners were never seriously extended and the match was over in a little under 40 minutes.

Thursday

May 1

Y.M.C.A. Play. Somerset Maugham is one of the most skilful of present-day dramatists, and his plays, no matter how frail their story range, never fail to bear out his expert knowledge of the theatre and what the average audience wants. "Mrs. Dot," which was presented by the European Y.M.C.A. Dramatic Club to-night, was entertaining despite a slight plot.

The Y.M.C.A. players deserve a big bouquet for their effort, for they knew exactly how much to make of their respective parts and wrung the best out of the piece.

Much of the success is due to the producer, Charles Thom, but it is fair to say that, despite his appreciation of the performance, he would not have been what it was without the good team work shown by the cast.

Winifred Dalziel, a newcomer to local dramatics, created a decidedly favourable impression as Mrs. Dot, the wealthy widow who makes up her mind to gain the affections of a penniless bachelor. The latter, well enacted by David Ingleby, loves Mrs. Dot, but discovers it only after he has got himself engaged to someone else. Thereby the complications!

Ralph Dormer gained further laurels as the moneyed cynic, Blenkinsop, a veteran on the boards here. Mr. Dormer confirmed general opinion as to his dramatic gifts. The other roles were also in good hands, and the whole force was played with an admirable swing throughout.

Y.M.C.A. war charities are benefiting from the production, and two more performances will be given.

Mr. Forrest Retiring. Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Immigration Officer, has been invalided out of the Government Service, it is learned officially this morning.

Mr. Forrest, who has been in ill-health for some time, will be leaving for Australia later this month. He had the misfortune to become afflicted suddenly and seriously with neuritis (kidney trouble) three weeks ago and has been in Queen Mary Hospital. He will require prolonged treatment.

"The question of a General Agent for the Immigration Department is still under consideration by Government, particularly the agreement between Mr. R. A. D. Forrest and Mr. E. A. von Kobza-Nagy and how far that agreement is still binding," stated a Government official yesterday.

The Special Commission's report on the Immigration Inquiry, which has already been handed to Government, is still under consideration, but will be made available for publication as soon as possible.

April Weather. The Royal Observatory reports that the weather during April was mainly unsettled, with

very variable temperatures. From the 1st to the 5th it was fair and rather warm, but a renewed onset the N.E. monsoon on the evening of the 5th caused a fall in temperature of 30°F. in 24 hours, and the minimum temperature on the 6th was the lowest ever recorded in April. The next few days were mainly cloudy, with frequent rain or drizzle and occasional thunder. There was a short spell of warm fair weather from the 13th to the 18th, but the remainder of the month was cloudy and very unsettled, with much rain and some heavy thunderstorms.

The mean temperature for the month was 69.5°F, which is 1° below normal. A maximum of 85.0° was recorded on the 18th and 21st; the minimum of 50° occurring on the 6th was a record for April. The mean relative humidity was 84%, which is normal.

Sunshine amounted to 83 hours, against a normal of 115 hours. The rainfall was above normal for the fourth successive month, the total being 8.69 inches against a normal of 5.20 inches. The total rainfall since January 1 is now 25.06 inches.

The maximum wind velocity in a gust was 51 m.p.h. at 9.15 a.m. on the 21st.

(The previous lowest recording for April was 51.8, on April 4, 1905.)

Badminton Finals. Former triple badminton champion of the Colony, P. K. Hoel to-night staged a fine comeback to secure a double when, with H. F. Chew, he won the senior doubles championship, defeating K. W. Choy and K. B. Low over three sets, and with Miss Ullian Khoo, with whom he had won the title three years in succession, annexed the mixed doubles title, beating K. W. Choy and Mrs. Castro in straight sets.

T. S. Young won the junior title when he beat A. L. Fisher over three sets in a hard fought match.

The standard of play throughout the evening was magnificent, and although Young and Fisher were not quite up to the standard of the seniors, their match was the most thrilling of the evening and by far the most gruelling.

Mr. S. A. Gray, President of the Badminton Association, made a short speech in which he congratulated the winners and runners-up and paid tribute to the magnificent work of the Hon. Secretary, Mr. T. Talan. Mr. Gray said the championships had established a record in attendance, proving the growing popularity of the game as 1,300 people had paid for admission to the semi-finals and finals. He then called on Mrs. T. E. Pearce to present the prizes.

Among the guests were Hon. Mr. J. P. Penfather-Evans, Commissioner of Police, Mr. C. P. Pearce, Mr. Perdue, Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Raymond.

Friday

May 2

Tsui Beat Rumjahn. A capacity crowd filled the stand and chairs at the Hongkong Cricket Club to-day to see Tsui Wai-pul defeat S. A. Rumjahn, holder in the semi-final of the tennis championships, 5-7, 8-6, 0-1, 6-0.

Rumjahn's collapse in the third and fourth sets constituted one of the most surprising upsets in his tennis career as he was widely noted for his amazing stamina and second wind. That never-say-die look was sadly missing to-day. The exertion of the first two sets must have so undermined his strength that although the will to fight back was present, the physical effort proved unavailing. It was a grand try, considering that his age is bordering on 40, the effort was all the more laudable.

It was apparent in the eighth game of the second set, with Tsui leading 5-3, that the fast pace was having little effect on the holder. He made little effort to return Tsui's drop shots, and was generally believed that he was conserving his strength for the remaining sets. It was not so, however. His strength was being gradually sapped, and his weak returns were killed. The last two sets were indeed a pitiable slaughter, but the glory of having fought a great battle against much younger adversary should offset any adverse criticism.

Tsui played one of his best games in recent years. He did not feel sure of himself in the opening set but as his drop-shots and hard drives were slowly wearing down his opponent, he began to gain a measure of confidence. He was, however, completely mastered in the first set although it went to 12 games, but he was the undisputed dictator from the later stages of the second stanza. He placed the ball where he wanted, knowing with certainty that the return would be a weak one to be killed. Tsui revealed some of his most deadly form in the third and fourth sets.

The first two sets were duels of court-craft, in which both players exploited their use of tricks. Sirdar, who shot extremely well and when he received an opening he crashed over such a fast winner that the eye could hardly follow. Leading in the first set he missed a chance to clinch it. Tsui levelled but Sirdar out-positioned him to take the next two games for set.

Rumjahn quickly ran into a 3-1 lead in the second set and in the fifth game led 40-love on his own service. Tsui struggled gallantly to level and succeeded in doing so. During the three days after two duels, Sirdar taken each day, a different story might have been written. As Tsui was definitely not sure of himself, he was

However, this gain released his hitherto hidden prowess and confidence and he began to drive and volley almost without error. Three-alls were soon called and Tsui then took the next two games to lead 5-3. Sirdar, however, fought back to level at 5-all and again led in the 11th. Sirdar missed a set point in the next game, and Tsui from then on was unbeatable, his deep drives finding the far corners of the court, and he followed them with beautiful volleys. His drop shots, executed with an underhand cut, just skimmed the net, and when Sirdar refused to run for them, Tsui increased pressure and smashed through to win the set 3-0.

Sirdar was a beaten man when he started on the third set. He managed Hongkong Cricket Club, although up to take the first game on his service, on two rinks, lost to Recreio, while it was his last, for Tsui won 12 Indian Recreation Club, who finished games in a row to win the third and at the bottom last season, surprised the Police.

Nightsoil Coolies Protest. Carrying several banners bearing the words that "Restore our Livelihood" and "Give us First Division," some 200 nightsoil coolies, mostly women, marched from Blake Gardens to the Post Office Building this afternoon for the purpose of petitioning the Urban Council to have the new scheme—whereby Government takes over control of the removal—cancelled.

The petitioners were accompanied by members of the Police Emergency Squad, and, while they squatted celebrated their anniversary at "The Waffles" Stone, some of them weeping and wailing, cutters, to-day, when a large number of women went up to the Urban Council—gathered to offer their congratulations. The Hon. Mr. W. F. Treadwell, Administrative Assistant, who declined to give a statement to the press, afterwards stating that he had no authority to do so.

It was learned from another source, however, that what the petitioners wanted was to have the new scheme cancelled, failing which they wanted it delayed until at least after the war. The Urban Council was responsible only for the carrying out of the scheme.

April Rainfall. Some idea of the heavy rainfall experienced during April can be obtained from the figures for the month as recorded at the Hongkong Botanic Garden. The total for the month was 10.66 inches, rain measured on fifteen days, with two dry periods, at the beginning and middle of the month. From April 20 onwards it was a very wet period. During the three days after two duels, Sirdar taken each day, a different story might have been written. As Tsui was definitely not sure of himself, he was

Saturday

May 3

Lawn Bowls Start. The Lawn Bowls season was officially opened to-day when a full programme of matches in the three divisions of the League was held.

In the First Division, Recreio overcame a stiff hurdle by defeating their erstwhile rivals, Craigenower, while victories were also gained by Indian Recreation Club, Service, Recreio "B" and the Bowling Green Club "A."

Quips By "Argus"

With Acknowledgments

Solicitors are urged to save everybody's time by putting in clear statements of claim and defence. But it's a bit hard, after a law education, to make him talk common English.

As I understand Japan's hopes, X=the Axis, Y=Britain, Z=Japan, A=America, B=China. Then X+Z=Y+A+B, but Y-A=ZZ, and B-(A+Y)=Z (X+Z)=ZZZ, and the equation should be X+Y+Z=AAA-ZZZ.

The seven ages of the best people in Hongkong.—White drill, alpaca, khaki shorts, pith helmet, double tail, white shirt, curly hair.

Still I think the war should be fought humanely. Captured Italians should be protected from being rescued to suffer all over again.

"To retire from Government service is a poor man's requiem, honesty and integrity,"—and, of course, exceptionally poor luck in Cash Sweeps.

A military overcoat has been taken from a pew during a church service. But look under the seat. Maybe somebody who lost out in the haddock scramble.

Another good reason for double-decker buses: the beggars can't pester you at the windows.

Middlemen's services raise the price of a tin hat to 25s. That's why it's so hard to keep the lid on the cost of living.

A newcomer expresses surprise that there are not more people living in such a delightful place as the Peak. But in time he'll discover Kowloon—and the Peak Reservation Ordinance.

The Eugenic Clinics in the Refugees Camps have been discontinued, as the inmates have all been served and the population in the camps is almost stationary. That's what I call service.

Maybe they'd better look into some of those cracks. The Immigration Commission's Report may have fallen into one.

Broken rice (at first grade prices) is now described as Government rice. Stanley or Tung Wah blends?

A schoolmaster sends the following from a scholar's exercise-book: "Stencils are what must be cut from your throat to prevent it getting sore."

Prison Officers Club defeated Craigenower by one shot in the Second Division, where Kowloon Football Club, Kowloon Tong and Recreio also won. In the Third Division, the Police.

Only one seven was recorded, and that was by R. Duncan's rink in the First Division.

The new system of point scoring was introduced and is as follows: Two points for a win on aggregate, one point for a win on one point winning rink. A draw halves the points.

Silver Wedding. Mr. N. Greenwood, Resident Naval Officer at Stonecutters, and Mrs. Greenwood, celebrated their Silver Wedding anniversary at "The Waffles" Stone, to-day, when a large number of women went up to the Urban Council—gathered to offer their congratulations. The Hon. Mr. W. F. Treadwell, Administrative Assistant, who declined to give a statement to the press, afterwards stating that he had no authority to do so.

They were married at Port Glasgow, Scotland, Mrs. Greenwood being Miss Crayk. She was born near the Queen's home at Glamis Castle. Mr. Greenwood has been connected with Naval wireless for 30 years.

The couple have two sons now serving in H. M. Navy.

New J. P. The following have been appointed Official Justices of the Peace: Messrs D. J. N. Anderson, F. E. E. hever, G. T. Lowry, J. P. Penna, April can be obtained from the figures for the month as recorded at the Hongkong Botanic Garden. The total for the month was 10.66 inches, rain measured on fifteen days, with two dry periods, at the beginning and middle of the month.

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Miss Gloria Joyce Yee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Yee of Australia, became the bride of Mr. Herbert Otto Kees last week. Mr. Kees is a "doppel" and well known in the Colony. She has won the Hongkong ballroom dancing amateur championship and for a long time has appeared at Miss O'Keefe's dancing displays.



Sunday

April 27

Farewell at Stanley. A very enjoyable "smoker" was held in the Prison Officers' Club at Stanley on the occasion of a farewell presentation to Mr. H. G. Fuller prior to his retirement from the Prison Department on the grounds of ill-health.

Mr. Fuller first arrived in the Colony over 30 years ago, when in 1910 he was stationed at Lyemun with the 83rd Coy, R.G.A. He was later transferred to the Peking Legation Guard; and served under Sir John Jordan who was the British Minister to Peking at that time. In 1914 Mr. Fuller went to France, being attached to the first 202 Howitzer Brigade in the war. After serving on most fronts from Belgium to Germany, he returned to China in 1919 with the Labour Corps and joined the Chinese Maritime Customs at Shanghai as a tide-waiter, from where he was transferred to Pakhoi. Leaving the Customs in 1922, he joined the Prison Department, from which he is now retiring after 19 years' service.

In his younger days Mr. Fuller represented his unit in swimming races and water polo events, and was a useful hand in the Kudd racing, which is a well-known sport in the Artillery.

Major J. L. Willocks, D.S.O., M.C., Commissioner of Prisons, made a presentation on behalf of the Staff of a silver tea service to Mr. Fuller, and thanked him for the good work he had done in the Prison garden at Lanchukok, and said he understood that Mr. Fuller was going in for gardening on an extensive scale when he finally arrived in England. Major Willocks was sure that he would make a success of it, and trusted that he would live many happy years in retirement with his family, who are at present in Australia.

Mr. Fuller made a suitable reply, in which he thanked all members of the Staff for their tokens of esteem, and for the kind words said both about himself and the good wishes extended to Mrs. Fuller; and said that when he was finally settled he hoped to have the pleasure of seeing any of his friends when they were in the Old Colony.

Mr. F. N. Hill was Master of Ceremonies, and a delightful programme was presented by several members of the Staff, the artists being Messrs E. W. Perry, S. Hodge, J. Docherty, A. D. Spours, W. Doxford, J. W. Grant, F. N. Hill, R. F. Rosen, C. J. Norman, H. G. Fuller, J. W. Fitz-Gerald, C. V. Jamieson, the "Great Marvino," Major J. L. Willocks, A. Jillett, and Drs E. W. R. Hackett and G. I. Shaw.

Masons at Church. The annual Masonic Church Service under the auspices of the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry was held at the Union Church to-day. The service was conducted by Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow, and Rev. J. E. Sandbach, District Grand Chaplain with Bro. G. E. Longyear as organist.

Masons entered the Church led by the District Grand Master of the Scottish Lodge, Mr. J. E. Ferguson, and the District Grand Master, English Constitution, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster. They were followed by Worshipful Brother R. Shrigley, Deputy District Grand Master (Scottish), and Worshipful Brother L. C. F. Bellamy (English). Then came the officers of the two District Grand Lodges, followed by members of other Lodges.

The Call to Worship and prayer of Invocation and Confession were read by Mr. Mackenzie Dow and the Lesson, taken from Psalm 33, was read by Mr. Sandbach.

In the course of the prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession, Mr. Sandbach recalled that the day was Anne Sunday and prayers were offered for Australian New Zealand and Empire soldiers so bravely fighting in Greece.

Mr. Mackenzie Dow delivered a sermon, the text of which was taken from St. Paul's Epistle to the Colossians: "Whatever you do, do it in the name of the Lord."

Aid For Schools. More than ten Chinese schools in Hongkong will receive subsidies from the Overseas Affairs Commission of the National Government during the current year. They include Fong Lam College, Lui Fong College, Young Chung Girls School, Chung Wah School, Kwong Wah College, Wah Kiu School and Wah Nam College.

The Overseas Affairs Commission appropriates every year certain sums as subsidies for well-operated Chinese schools in Hongkong, Macao and South Sea regions with the view to promoting overseas Chinese education.

The amount appropriated this year is estimated to be between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

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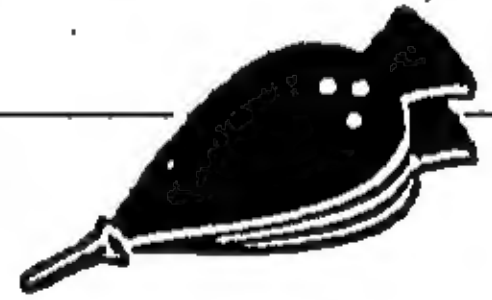


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 W stands for WELCOME—here's luck to good Fellows.
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A POISONED GENERATION

THOSE well-meaning persons who seem to be more anxious about the kind of peace that will follow the war than about winning the war, should consider more seriously than they do the character of the Germany that will have to be dealt with when the war is over. The people of the Kaiser's Reich were difficult to negotiate with and more difficult still to pin down to any engagement. The present generation will be of an even more untrustworthy character and more determined than any preceding generation to assert the fantastic claims of German superiority over all races and nations.

Hitler is held up to the German people, and especially to German youth, as a deity. If he himself believes that, he is a man of disordered brain. If he does not, he is a blasphemous scoundrel. But whatever he be or is believed to be, the effect is the same upon the youth of Germany. For years their only mental and moral food has been that dished up by teachers who are sworn to teach nothing but Hitler and him glorified. What can be expected of children instructed by teachers who are bound by this oath?

"Adolf Hitler, we swear that we will train the youth of Germany that they grow up in your ideology, for your aims and purposes, in the direction set by your will. This is pledged to you by the whole German system of education, from the primary school through to the university."

It is said that forty years must elapse before a system of education can justly be judged. That is, one must wait to see what manner of man that system has produced in a people who are free to think as they will. Under the Nazi tyranny, however, no such freedom is enjoyed, and by mass production a type of human being is turned out which is developed only on one side, without any corrective or restraint to a pursuit which can bring nothing but conflict and misery to the world.

THE EPIC OF THE
"51st"

By G. E. LEY SMITH

When Hitler started his blitzkrieg, the gigantic wheeling movement of his armies through Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg pivoted on the position held by the 51st Division at the north end of the Maginot Line proper.

In the midst of the fighting around Remetling the Gordons were unaware that the Nazis had been sweeping across the Low Countries.

Only when they had left the "Maginot" and had assembled in a big wood near Metzervisse with other units of the 51st Division did they receive an inkling of the desperate situation that had arisen.

By this time, the Nazi "Panzer" divisions had driven their way through the Ardennes and broken the French line at Sedan.

With the Highland Division, the battalion was every man had duck or chicken and fresh milk and eggs for supper that night. Stores were replenished that they should be used to stop the German break-through at Montmedy.

But the Dunkirk evacuation had started. Plans were changed. The Division was ordered to another front.

During the last days of May, when other Gordon battalions were fighting around Dunkirk before the Highland Division was moving across France to the Somme to stem the advance of the German spearhead which was heading rapidly towards Paris.

By a tediously long railway journey the battalion reached its destination in two-and-a-half days, travelling by Verdun round the south of Paris, and then northwards by Rouen to Neuve Chatelee.

The weather had broken. In torrential rain, the officers and men bivouacked in a wood, taking what shelter they could under the trees. From there, they marched sixty miles in three nights. By day they slept in woods. Every time they camped it rained continuously. But the men never groused at the discomfort.

One night they reached a small, completely deserted village. The civilian population had left behind them

Of all the units in the British Army, the 51st is the most feared by the Nazis. The awesome reputation of the killed Highland regiments which form it was strengthened in German hearts by the men who fought so brilliantly and gallantly at St Valery last year.

The epic part played by the Gordon Highlanders in the Battle of France is told here in the living impressions of the men who suffered and survived in that sombre drama of men against metal.

This instalment tells how the Gordons were moved from the Maginot Line to the Estuary of the Somme to stem the tide of retreat in June, 1940.

2. Zero Hour Strikes
On The Somme

hundreds of cows and all to silence the gun. The chance small party had evidently of a rich feast was not been seen advancing to the allowed to slip. Foraging attack, and a German trench parties were organised and mortar opened fire. Corporal Shepherd was killed by one of the shells, which fell close to him. Undaunted by the fate of their N.C.O., the three men charged towards the haystack. Before they could reach it, however, the German gunners bolted, leaving their machine-gun behind them.

On June 2 the Gordons were moved into position at the Grand Bois, which lies about twelve kilometres from Abbeville, in front of the village of Cahou.

Fierce fighting had been going on all along the Somme. Efforts by the French to drive the Germans back had had little success. Now the 51st Division had been given an eighteen-mile front on the river, from Erondelle to the sea.

As a German offensive across the Somme was imminent, an attack was decided upon for the morning of June 4. The Gordons were given the task of clearing le Grand Bois and advancing to another wood beyond.

To appreciate the difficulty of this operation, a description of the Grand Bois is necessary. It is a wood of unusual density. So thick is the undergrowth that it is impossible to see more than a dozen feet ahead.

German machine-gun posts had been dug on the outskirts. Inside the wood the German infantry had strongly established themselves. Storm-troopers with Tommy guns had been sent forward with three men stalled in almost every bush

and covered all the paths through the wood, which is about three-quarters of a mile deep.

On one side of the wood, to the left of the Gordons was a clump of trees, which was believed to be free of the enemy.

Round the wood, the undulating countryside was covered with long corn and hedgerows, proving admirable cover while the battalion waited for zero hour.

Two companies, "B" and "C," were to make the attack, with "D" Company following through to allow "B" to move out to the left of the wood when the objectives had been taken. "A" Company was to remain in reserve.

On the right of the Gordons, the Black Watch were also to attack, but the Sea-forths on the left were ordered to maintain their positions and keep up a screening fire.

In a light rain which fell on the night of June 3 patrols went out to reconnoitre the ground. They reported that machine-guns were posted on the fringe of the wood.

Waiting for their first big-scale attack, the men of "B" and "C" Companies lay among the long corn and behind hedges slightly to the right of the wood. Guns rumbled in the distance. Machine-guns occasionally stuttered. A ground mist was lifting just before the first light of dawn started to penetrate the edge of the Bois.

TO-MORROW:

Germans Routed At
Bayonet Point

SUNDAY
THEATRE
HAILED

"The greatest step forward in the history of the theatre since Cromwell," was how Mr John Gielgud, the actor, described the decision to allow Sunday opening of theatres in Britain.

This new step, announced by the Home Secretary, Mr H. Morrison, in the House of Commons, enables a licensing authority to permit Sunday opening of theatres and music halls in districts where there are troops or a large number of munition workers.

With the exception of plays produced by special societies there have been no theatre performances on Sundays for 160 years, since the Sunday Observance Act of 1781.

On Equal Footing

The new regulation puts the theatre on a footing with the films and other forms of entertainment at a time when it is in need of all the assistance it can get.

Mr Gielgud said that the new decision would enable managements to embark with assurance on new productions, giving employment to actors.

Mr Bronson Albery, who controls the New Theatre, Wyndham's and the Criterion, said he had no doubt that Sunday opening was now a foregone conclusion in the West End and the suburbs.

"Generally speaking, I should say that most theatres will decide to close on Mondays, but possibly in some cases Sundays will be fixed," Mr Albery added.

Actors and actresses welcome the new regulation, as it provides for a six-day week and performances on the day on which most people have the leisure for entertainment.

Pritt Not To
Resign

Labour Party Views

Mr D. N. Pritt, K.C., Labour M.P. for North Hammersmith, asked by the local Labour Party to resign his seat will not do so. The North Hammersmith Labour Party says that Mr Pritt "now represents neither the party nor the views of the overwhelming majority of the people in the constituency." The executives' statement said: "Recently Mr Pritt has come into prominence by his participation in the so-called 'People's Convention,' which was inspired by the Communist Party and which lies under the grave suspicion of seeking to exploit wartime discontents of the people for the purposes of Communism."

Mr Pritt in a statement said he had no intention of resigning his seat.

Geography Up To Date

SOMEONE remarked to me the other day, "What a lot of weeks we talked knowingly of back?" At present Libyan geography is that all-important railway. No, is to the fore, and I fancy that I am not going to name them most of us are more confident of teach him more than we ever knew. This generation should know a little more about France Derna and Bardia. But can we be better informed than the perhaps their names stick better.

I agreed. Then I began to wonder. We seem to have both learnt and forgotten such a lot since September of 1939. As each country came into the limelight, its names became as familiar as our own. But if we learnt readily, we have forgotten nearly as readily.

Do you remember, when Poland was attacked, how we pored over maps and talked of places we did not know, how to pronounce and had never heard of before? But now—how many towns in Poland could you name offhand and could you place them accurately on the map? Finland meant a lot, too. But now Helsinki is the only name that leaps to my mind, and we had all advance yet farther. What was Hamn? The R.A.F. know just heard of it before the Russo-Finnish war.

By
M. Forrest Mill

But could you put your finger unerringly on, for instance, St Valery?

And I do not believe that we adults are any more ignorant than the younger generation. There seem to have been so many things to think of during those busy months, and I do not think that the average intelligent child would be any wiser than we are.

Even the names which were round the sun? So why should I waste energy trying to remember the exact whereabouts of to my mind, and we had all advance yet farther. What was Hamn? The R.A.F. know just heard of it before the Russo-Finnish war.

It is shocking how quickly we forget. The other day I came across a bundle of old maps, cut out of papers at the time, and how strange they looked! Yet I remember half agreeing with a friend who said scornfully, "But do you need those to make you remember where the places are?"

At the time I felt I could have drawn those maps from memory. But now I could not. Is this a disgraceful confession? I do not know. Didn't Sherlock Holmes, that prince of detectives, refuse to waste grey matter on such irrelevant details as the fact that the earth moves round the sun? So why should I waste energy trying to remember the exact whereabouts of to my mind, and we had all advance yet farther. What was Hamn? The R.A.F. know just heard of it before the Russo-Finnish war.

MURDER CHARGE REDUCED

Two soldiers mounting a Bren gun post were talking to a girl at a window of a house overlooking the post. Suddenly two shots were fired, and the girl fell. She died soon afterwards.

At Aldershot Police-court Charles Thomas Christie, 21, a Canadian, was charged with murdering Margaret Catherine Wheaton, 27, a servant, of Gun-nislake, Cornwall.

Mr. E. G. Robey, prosecuting, said Christie admitted firing the shots. Private William Alfred Rutherford, who was on duty at the gun post before Christie took over, said he left the safety catch of the gun at the automatic control position.

Manslaughter
Major Forbes Benson West said Christie had received instruction in the use of a Bren gun, but had only mounted one about two days before the incident.

The Bench found there was no case to answer on a charge of murder, but Christie was committed to Hampshire Assizes on a manslaughter charge.

LONDON'S HOMELESS BUREAU

The Homeless Bureau in Bay-ley Street, off Bedford Square, London, which started in October with ten addresses, has now collected nearly 100,000.

People are writing from as far away as Canada to inquire about relatives. A rancher who read of heavy bombing in the district where his mother used to live, sought news about her. He got a reply by return, giving her evacuated address in Devon.

The quick reply was made possible by the system of centralisation. As soon as evacuees arrive in a reception area from counties in the South-East, the local authority sends the new address at once to the Homeless Bureau.

The Bureau was started by the London Council for Social Service.

COLONEL IN NAZI PRISON

Sixty-five-year-old Colonel Cecil Shaw, a retired officer, who has helped hundreds of Britons out of their troubles, is now in trouble himself.

In the Piete Hospital in Paris—now a German prison hospital—he is suffering from bronchitis and awaiting trial. They accuse him of helping a British officer to escape to the south.

He shares a room with a German prisoner. His American wife was arrested on the same charge, but she has been released and is allowed to see her husband once a week.

Colonel Shaw, who administered British relief from the American Embassy for many months, escaped the general round-up of British citizens.

Radio Talks To German Women

German women refugees in Britain appealed recently for more propaganda broadcasts in German on lines which would appeal to educated women in Germany.

They said they had proof that British broadcasts to their country defeated Nazi propaganda, and they asked specially that more German women speakers should broadcast.

The request was made at a meeting in London of the International Women's Service Groups in Great Britain, addressed by Miss Elise Sprott, of the B.B.C., on the development of propaganda broadcasting since the war began.

Freedom Of Life
Refugee speakers asked for German talks which would illustrate the freedom of life for women in Britain; give a weekly survey of Parliamentary events including the contributions made by women M.P.s; appeal to women in Sudetenland; intersperse a line of propaganda here and there in a musical programme; and tell what was being done on the kitchen front.

One speaker argued that educated German women were against Nazism and that their influence was tremendous.

CONSTABLE KEPT FINES MONEY

P.C. Albert Childs (30), assistant warrant officer at Bromley (Kent) police court, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment at the court recently for embezzling £41, fines which it was his duty to collect.

RESCUED AFTER NIGHT ORDEAL

Brian Penton, firewatcher of a Liverpool building, being rescued after spending 12 hours in the ruins of a bombed building. His rescuers tunnelled for many hours to reach him.



NAZI SPY SCHOOL MOVED TO BELGIUM

Information reaching London suggests that the Nazi school for spies which, when war began, was at Wiesbaden, is now in Belgium says the "Sunday Express." It is a school with a most rigorous short-term curriculum. He who decides to spy for Hitler must have a "past" that will stand up to examination by the Gestapo; then he is assigned lodgings, given a number and spending money.

Each morning he goes to the school. That is, he reports at a private house. And the man who opens the door hands him a mask which he has to wear during the whole of his stay.

Secret Inks
Mask-wearing is a precaution designed to prevent the future spies identifying, and perhaps betraying, each other.

The spy-student listens to lectures on naval and military subjects, does tests with secret inks, studies charts, memorises pictures of uniforms and badges.

Then he is taught the technique and tricks of communicating information by radio and other means.

At the end of each day's lessons the students leave the school at three-minute intervals, and must not loiter. It may be the end of their day's work, but the Gestapo school staff continue to be busy.

Eye On Girl Friends
They watch the students' movements during their leisure to discover whether they are attracted by women; how much they drink, and how they talk to other people.

After eight to ten weeks of intensive study and examinations the student is entrusted with his first test mission. And he now has these rules impressed upon his mind:

- (1) Do not hurry when approaching a point from which to begin spying.
- (2) Collect every bit of available information without showing interest in any of it.
- (3) Maintain an impassive countenance and leisurely manner.
- (4) Conceal what linguistic gifts you have, to encourage others to talk more freely.

10-Gun Lunches
(5) Record your findings in meticulous terms; figures you have to report are best recorded as items of personal expenditure. If you have seen ten guns make a note of lunch costing you ten marks.

(6) Don't burn papers and leave ashes about, for microscopes can do a great deal with paper ash.

(7) Exercise great care about your personal belongings, so that a mislaid article does not incriminate you.

(8) Don't let drink befuddle your brain.

Chinese To Encourage Gliding

The China Glider Club's plans for 1941 include the construction of 100 gliders, a series of demonstration flights, establishment of branch clubs in Chengtu, Kunming, Kweilin and Lanchow, publication of a magazine on gliding and translation of books and articles on the subject into Chinese.

The club will begin a membership drive in the near future.

On the Chungking commercial airfield recently, a large crowd gathered to watch the inauguration ceremony and first officially sponsored demonstration. Manned by veteran glider pilots who have been experimenting with sailplanes and other advanced motorless craft for several years, two monoplane sailplanes with enclosed cockpits flew noiselessly over the interested crowd.

Nazi Airmen Land In Portugal

Six members of the crew of a German bomber set fire to their machine after landing recently near Moura, Portugal, and escaped across the border into Spain.

The airmen used civilian clothing to get away during a search made by Portuguese authorities.

Mrs O'Grady Cleared Of Treachery Charge

Mrs Dorothy Pamela O'Grady was recently brought to the Criminal Appeal Court in London under sentence of death for treachery and left, five hours later, sentenced instead to 14 years' servitude for offences under the Official Secrets Act.

Her appeal was heard in camera. Only one man, apart from judges, counsel and officials, knew what passed behind the court's locked doors. He was Mrs O'Grady's grey-haired husband, Mr Vincent Henry O'Grady.

Mrs O'Grady, short, dark woman, 42 years of age, was taken to court from Holloway Prison in a saloon car.

She seemed unperturbed as she entered the brass-railled dock. She glanced first at the three judges, then at her husband sitting alone in the public seats.

Mr. J. G. Trappin, for the Crown, asked that the appeal should be heard in camera, saying that it might be necessary to go into certain facts. The court agreed, and the public were directed to leave.

Court's Decision

The Lord Chief Justice then said: "The two convictions on the capital charges—under the Treachery Act—have been quashed, and sentence has been passed by the court on the other charges on which the appellant was convicted."

"We have passed sentence of 14 years' penal servitude on those counts."

The two charges under the Treachery Act, of which Mrs. O'Grady was found guilty after a secret trial at Hampshire Assizes, alleged that she made a plan in the Isle of Wight likely to give assistance to the enemy's military operations and that, with intent to help the enemy, she cut a military telephone wire.

Under the Official Secrets Act she was found guilty of approaching a prohibited place and of making a plan which might have been useful to an enemy.

Another charge concerned the possession of a document containing information purporting to relate to defence measures.

M.P.s Are Not So Young

What "The Times" Found
NEARLY 25 per cent. of the members of the House of Commons are over 60. Only one half per cent. are under 30, and the largest age group is between 50 and 60.

"The Times" mentions these figures in an editorial which discusses the future of Parliament.

Warning against false deductions, "The Times" points out that Mr Churchill himself is 65.

Moreover, the average age of Members who represent the comparatively new Communist and Independent Labour Parties exceeds 55.

New Blood Desirable

The high average age of Members is largely due to the fact that the present Parliament was elected in 1935.

"The Times" thinks that some new blood in Parliament would be desirable, but without an immediate revival of party conflict.

"One of the things we are fighting for is to keep Parliament a living organism, not a tame clique as in the totalitarian States," it says.

WAVELL FAMILY—Everyone Now In The War

The whole Wavell family is in this war. Here is one day's programme.

Gen. Archie himself conferred with chiefs of his staff, and that is all there is for publication.

Lady Wavell, his wife, attended meetings to provide comforts for the wounded now coming in.

Son Archie is serving in his father's regiment, the Black Watch. Daughter Pamela did her normal spell of duty with the V.A.D.

Felicity and Joan, the younger daughters, went to their work as secretaries at G.H.Q.

Benefit To Troops

Most of Lady Wavell's time, apart from running their big, flower-gardened house is taken up with troops' welfare. For social life she runs Sunday afternoon parties and goes to dances (provided the dancer have some object of benefit to the troops).

Pamela and Felicity use their spare time learning to fly.

Life Of Penn On Film

William Penn, the great Quaker, is the subject of the latest film biography, "Penn of Pennsylvania."

The picture is being made by British National at Elstree with Clifford Evans as Penn and Deborah Kerr as his romantic first love.

The whole thing is linked up by producer Richard Vernon with President Roosevelt's inaugural address over the radio. Then the picture goes back to seventeenth-century London.

There, at the beginning, we are to see a Quaker, member of a persecuted new sect, being ducked in a barrel of beer by public house revellers. In a room above, with the diarist Pepys, is William Penn, the young soldier.

Silk Stockings Guarded

Keep out notices have been plastered outside a number of Leicester warehouses. The buildings have been surrounded by high boardings and the doors padlocked.

The warehouse contains stores kept there by order of the Government. The stores consist wholly of millinery and millions of pairs of silk stockings.

They have been piling up there—in all styles, sizes and shades—since last December, when the Government banned sales of silk stockings.

Vitamins Aid Studies

Children Brighten Up

Special vitamin foods are improving child students' arithmetic and spelling, says the Ipswich (East England) Medical Officer (Dr J. H. Hunter).

"In Ipswich schools, youngsters who cannot spell or do sums well are given sandwiches filled with dates, grated chocolate, raisins, kippered herrings and tomato, or sardines," Dr Hunter says.

"The idea is that the sandwiches must contain vitamins A, B, C, and D in right proportions and proteins. We have found that children given these things brighten up remarkably."

Health authorities and educationists have been working hard since the war began to improve the general health of school children with vitamin foods.

The evacuation of children from London slums and industrial areas into the country has helped these experiments.

Parcels For Prisoners

Captain Margesson, War Minister, stated, in the House of Commons recently, that during the months July, 1940, to January, 1941, inclusive, 714,802 food parcels and 29,400 clothing parcels for prisoners of war were handed over to the G.P.O.

During the same period 151,711 food parcels and 1,122 clothing parcels had been forwarded from Geneva to the camps in Germany.

As regards the balance on such information as was available he could give the following figures:

Dispatched from Basle to camps in Germany to October 4, 1940—85,000.

Lost through enemy action—16,000.

At Marseilles—58,000.

En route Lisbon to Marseilles—63,000.

En route United Kingdom to Marseilles—27,000.

At Lisbon—174,000.

En route United Kingdom to Lisbon—165,000.

A.A. Surprise For Hitler

Paul Tierney, war editor of the "New York Post," who recently returned from England, writes that he learned from a reliable source that one of many surprises the British are holding back for Hitler is a terrific anti-aircraft defence barrage.

It consists of enormous groupings of guns, which have not yet been fired, because the British do not wish to betray their location.

"If Hitler carries out his boast to fill the air with warplanes, his losses will be terrific," writes Tierney.

"I also learned that aerial photography has shown that the invasion ports nearest to Britain are now virtually useless to Germany, as a result of incessant poundings by the R.A.F."

New All-India Party

The Madras paper, "The Hindu," understands that Mr Vernon Bartlett, M.P., the famous British journalist, who was one of the signatories of an appeal last December to Indian leaders for full support of the war effort, is forming an all-India Party in the House of Commons.

The party will take a progressive interest in the affairs of India.

The appeal referred to was addressed to the people of India "from friends in the British House of Commons." It asked for a spirit of co-operation in bringing to an end the present deadlock in India, which the writers were convinced was largely the result of a misunderstanding.

Rome Not Yet Bombed—But

Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Air Minister, informed Mr R. Sorensen (Lab., West Leyton) at question time in the House of Commons recently, that Rome had not at any time been attacked by the R.A.F. But there were objectives of military importance that would justify such an attack.

Mr Sorensen then asked if the close proximity of the Vatican City to Rome had any bearing on the avoidance of such an attack.

Sir Archibald Sinclair: I cannot be expected to discuss this question in the House.

War May Recall Boyish Bob

Thousands of women in Britain who depend on the skill of chemists to keep their golden tresses golden are being "blackened out" by the Government's restrictive orders against luxury articles.

Hairstylists are forecasting a revolution in hairdressing styles also because of the great hairpin shortage. They predict a return to the shingle or page boy bob.



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MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

After-thoughts Of Badminton Season

New Scoring System Suggested For League

Summer Plans For Improvement

(By ("Tinker"))

THE TUMULT and the shouting having died, badminton players reflect back proudly on another successful season having concluded. There is no doubt about this. Attendance at the Championships, which in any sport is the criterion, shows a new record in numbers as was mentioned by the President of the Association, Mr S. A. Gray, at the recent prize distribution.

Greatest contributory factor to this, outside the attraction of the game itself, has been the efforts of the Hon. Secretary, Mr M. Talan. The organisation of the League and the Championships has worked without a hitch. The Press may have done its bit, but in dealing with an official of Mr Talan's character, it is always a pleasure to oblige.

As regards the Championships, the Colony has seen afforded matches of a standard never before seen here. The nucleus of stars from the University of Hongkong—K. W. Choy, P. K. Hooi, H. F. Chow, M. P. Young, K. B. Low and Miss Ullian Khoo—have mingled with local luminaries—P. H. Wong, G. Au, F. Koh, M. A. Oliveira, H. C. Eardley, Miss M. M. Silva, Miss M. A. Xavier, Miss M. Ribeiro, Mrs Torrible, Mrs Zimmern and Mrs O. Silva—to create a spectacular whole.

The University have taken every senior title, and not surprisingly they easily won the Senior Divisional championship. The greater interest, perhaps, was wrapped up in the Second Division. Here St John's took the absolute championship when they beat Chung Hwa in the play-off—they being the winners of the "B" and "A" Sections, respectively.

St John's Strength

BUT there's a story behind St John's victory, and it is one which, I think, makes more acceptable a new system of scoring that has been suggested.

St John's were slated to be promoted into the Senior Division for the recently concluded season. But at the annual meeting of the Association they pointed out that of the winning team of 1940 H. C. Eardley most probably would not be available owing to his Naval duties, while Frank Kwok had gone over to Kowloon Tong. They asked, therefore, to be allowed to remain in the Junior Division.

It was decided by vote at that meeting to allow St John's to remain in the Junior Division for five games—and should they win those five games they would be promoted to the First Division.

They won four and lost one playing against some of the weaker teams of the Section. The vote at the subsequent meeting of the Association was in favour of St John's remaining in the Junior Division. As it turned out, Eardley, without making any special efforts, was able to turn out for them in most of their matches, and they, consequently, were carried through on the efforts of their two top pairs only. Their third pair was very weak.

Thus there is the position of two strong pairs being able to win a Divisional Championship on their own.

New Scoring System

THERE is no doubt that these two pairs are worthy of the First Division.

And there is no doubt that next year St John's will be in that Division. But to prevent a similar state of affairs, the following suggestion has been made for scoring:

That the result of a match be decided upon the total number of points obtained by each team.

The strength of any team then would be like that of a chain—that of its weakest link, and if the weakest are unable to collect, say, double figures in points each match, it is not likely that against a better balanced side the stronger players will be able to make up the difference. The more-balanced side, therefore, would have a more even chance of winning.

Summer Suggestions

JUNIORS are the mainstay of any game, and in badminton it is hoped that further encouragement will be given to these players. For the summer months, the suggestion is made to all Clubs to hold monthly badminton social evenings.

Had it not been for the Junior Doubles championship this year, there might have been an increase in the Senior Doubles to ten pairs, but what have happened to the remaining 14 pairs that did take part in the junior competition? They would have been without games, for I doubt if they would have had the courage to enter the senior tournament.

Admittedly, some of the junior players were weak, but their very appearance on the court is encouragement to others to enter. This year, the Colony has been very fortunate in that there are so many new players here, but there are a far greater number of juniors who need encouragement.

These social evenings, at which the courts would be thrown open to all badminton players, would do much towards enticing more of these younger players on to the court, and once the start is made, it will be all for the greater good of Badminton in Hongkong, for it would inevitably lead to a greater number of entries for the Junior competitions next year.



Officials and winners of the Hongkong Badminton Championships.

Standing: Messrs Jack Shepherd, W. C. Choy, A. L. Fisher, P. Wynter-Blyth, P. H. Wong, D. Kwok, D. Hazel, S. A. Gray (President), M. Talan (Hon. Secretary).

Seated: Miss U. Khoo, Mr H. F. Chow, Mr P. K. Hooi, Mrs Zimmern, Mrs Torrible, Mrs Castro, Mr. K. W. Choy, Mr K. B. Low, Mr C. J. Tacchi.

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE OFFICIAL OPENING

Recreio Beat Craigengower By Narrow Margin Of One Shot

THE LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE made its official opening on Saturday with a full programme of matches, outstanding feature of which was the defeat of Craigengower, rivals of old, by the Club de Recreio by one shot. Coincidentally, the Valley Second team lost by the same margin to the Prison Officers, newly promoted from the Third Division.

Yesterday a most enjoyable match was played at the Kowloon Cricket Club when the Volunteers Sergeants' Mess beat the home side by eight shots.

The new system of scoring came into operation, but only in the Third Division were any teams able to collect two points. These were the Hongkong F.C. who lost on two rinks to the Kowloon F.C., though the third rink was able to collect a winning margin for the match, and the Club de Recreio who only beat the Hongkong C.C. on one rink but managed to win the match.

Scores in brief were

FIRST DIVISION

C.S.C.C. (61) 3 1/2 Kowloon C.C. (53) 1 1/2
Recreio (52) 4 C.C.C. (51)
K. Docks (50) 1 Recreio "B" (49) 4
K. Docks (50) 1 K.B.G.C. "A" (48) 4
I.R.C. (48) 4 Police (45) 1

SECOND DIVISION

K.F.C. (54) 4 H.K.F.C. (49) 1
C.C.C. (47) 1 P.O.C. (46) 4
I.R.C. (46) 1 K. B. Tong (45) 3
Recreio (44) 4 H.K.C. (43) 1

THIRD DIVISION

H.K.F.C. (62) 3 K.F.C. (54) 2
Police (45) 4 I.R.C. (43) 1
H.K.C.C. (41) 2 Recreio (40) 3
C.C.C. (50) 1 K.B.G.C. (40) 1

Only one seven was scored, and that by R. Duncan (K.B.G.C.) against Recreio "B" in the First Division.

Volunteer Sgts Beat Kowloon C. C.

THE Volunteer Sgts-Kowloon C.C. match was five rinks a side. The home team scored on two, losing on the other three, and the final score turned out eight shots in the Sergeants' favour. Totals were Sgts 98, K.C.C. 88.

R. S. Capell, E. C. Curtis, A. J. Kwok and J. Fraser (K.C.C.) lost to C.Q.M.S. Casey, Sgt Muskett, Sgt Carr and Sgt Sherriff, 17-20.

A. E. Perry, R. T. Burch, F. Goodwin and E. C. Fincher beat Sgt Powles, Sgt Gault, Sgt Zimmern and Sgt Meyer, 18-14.

T. R. Hunter, C. W. Jeffries, N. A. E. Mackay and R. S. Meadows lost to C. S. M. Baskett, P. M. Mackie, Sgt Steven and B. S. M. Walker, 16-21.

G. Bowden, H. Langley, A. W. Smith and V. C. Labrum lost to S.Q.M.S. Tribble, C.Q.M.S. Leigh, Sgt Lockhart and Sgt Rakusen, 18-22.

A. E. P. Guest, A. H. Martin, W. W. Parsons and T. A. Madar beat Sgt B. (1st), Sgt J. D. Remedios, Sgt J. C. Remedios and C.Q.M.S. Silva 19-13.

Favourites Fail In Kentucky Derby

Whirlaway Sets Record

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky, May 3 (UP).—A crowd of 100,000, the largest ever to witness a horse race in North America, saw Mr Warren Wright's Whirlaway win the Kentucky Derby to-day by eight lengths in the record time of two minutes one and two-fifths seconds, which broke the previous best time established in 1931 by two-fifths of a second.

Ridden by the veteran jockey, Eddie Arcaro, who rode Lawrin to his Derby triumph in 1938, Whirlaway was held far back until the final turn, when he outstripped the field.

Dispute was leading until the three-quarter post, where he weakened. Thereupon Whirlaway, wore down Porter's Cap and Blue Pair and won handily.

Starlet was second and Marketwise third. The track was hard and fast. Showers had been forecast.

Fast Track

Porter's Cap, owned by Mr C. S. Howard and the West's hope for the first California Derby winner, and Our Boots, which was last year's juvenile champion, were the outstanding choices at odds respectively of 2 to 1 and 5 to 2.

Other odds earlier were: Whirlaway 5/1; Dispose 8/1; Robert Morris 10/1; Blue Pair 15/1; Little Boats 20/1; Marketwise 25/1.

Porter's Cap, which finished fourth in the race, had won the \$50,000 Santa Anita Handicap and holds the fastest work-out time for the mile and quarter. The winner of the race gets about \$50,000.

Sappers Beat Canadians In First Baseball Game

Forum Nose Out Canucks In Softball's Final "Hate"

THE ROYAL ENGINEERS opened their baseball season with a great victory over the Canadians at Caroline Hill on Saturday, clouting in five runs in the 1st and 3rd frames and holding the Canucks to three singles tallies in the 1st, 2nd and 6th.

Yesterday, Softball's final game—the annual classic between the Hongkong English Forum and the Canadian Chinese—resulted in a 3-2 win for the latter, the issue being decided in the last inning only.

Softball's Canadians belted in one in the 3rd and another in the 5th. The Forumers were held blank over these frames, and only in the sixth and final innings did they get moving. Two runs in the sixth and then the winner in the seventh—all on passed balls—brought them a win. Absolute of Trans-Jordan in honour annual fight.

Scores in brief were:

BASEBALL

Canadians: 1 0 0 0 1 0=3
Runs: 1 0 0 1 1 3=6
R. Engineers: 3 0 2 0 0 0=x=3
Runs: 1 0 0 0 0 1=x=2

SOFTBALL

Canucks: 0 0 1 0 1 0=2
Runs: 0 0 1 0 3 0=4
Forum: 0 0 0 0 1 1=2
Runs: 2 0 0 0 1 1=3

Girls Match

AT STUBBS ROAD, on Saturday, Canton's Truelight College girls swamped Chung Hwa 11-2, proving that the schoolgirls are all set for the League next year. Yvonne Poon clouted in a homer for Chung Hwa, and in reply Margie Woo and Lai Bik-wong connected for non-stop circuit trips. In the final innings of the game, the College girls scored five to climax the run-around.

Poor Cash Sweep Prizes At Macao

MACAO, May 4.—Results of the cash sweeps in to-day's racing were:

First Race

No. 226 \$318.40
" 350 20.50
" 30 45.50

Unplaced ponies (\$25.00 each): Nos. 147, 103.

Second Race

No. 369 \$264.00
" 74 23.40
" 78 37.70

Unplaced pony (\$20.00): No. 594.

Third Race

No. 136 \$322.10
" 84 63.40
" 107 41.70

Unplaced pony (\$40.00): No. 314.

Fourth Race

No. 387 \$226.70
" 163 44.50
" 118 42.20

Unplaced pony (\$40.00): No. 338.

Fifth Race

No. 04703 \$7,404.96
" 2162 2,114.23
" 10583 1,070.71

Unplaced ponies (\$100.15 each): Nos. 04142, 01802, 23200, 06430, 10344, 08201, 09011, 22430, 12320, 20472, 21106.—Our Own Correspondent.

Home Cricket Makes a Start

London, May 3. Instead of the usual heralding with trumpets, the Cricket season made a modest beginning to-day, with several minor matches.

The London Fire Service, taking a well-earned relaxation, again stole the limelight by opening the season at Lord's against Reading University, who won by seven wickets.—Reuter.

JACK DOYLE: "I WAS SOLD LIKE A RACEHORSE"

Bankruptcy Examination

JACK DOYLE, the boxer and singer, attending London Bankruptcy Court for his public examination, stated that his contract was so worded that if he opened a taxi door and received a 5d tip, 25 per cent. of it would have to be paid over.

Questioned about part of his manager's percentage of purses for fights being sold, Mr Doyle said: "I was sold like a racehorse. I was just a child then and did not know much about it."

His liabilities amounted to £1,689 and he had no assets. Mr Doyle stated that he had his mother dependent on him. "I gave her at least £8 a week," he explained. "I have supported her all my life."

Mr A. L. West, Senior Official Receiver: However nice it is to live in this way, do you realise it is wrong and unjustifiable?—My expenses are heavy everywhere I go. I spend a lot each week.

Mr Doyle said he would pay over to his trustee what money he could for creditors. The examination was closed.

K.C.C. PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

Impromptu Concert

DISTRIBUTION of prizes for the past season took place at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday night. Mrs E. C. Fincher, wife of the Club Captain, presented the winners with their awards.

A good gathering of members indulged in an impromptu concert prior to the prize distribution, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The following was the prize list:

Lawn Bowls

Club Championship—Winner, J. Fraser; Runner-up, A. W. Ramsey. Handicap Singles—Winner, R. T. Broadbridge; Runner-up, J. Fraser. Handicap Pairs—Winners, F. Goodwin and R. S. Meadows; Runners-up, G. E. Taylor and J. Hempsey. Roger Lindell Cup—Winner, E. Kern; Runner-up, F. Goodwin. Two Competition—Winner, R. T. Broadbridge; Runner-up, W. W. Parsons. Jack Hirst Shields—J. Hempsey, A. H. Martin, L. Jack and A. W. Ramsey (skip).

Tennis

Senior Championship—Winner A. Crawford; Runner-up, A. E. P. Guest. Junior Championship—Winner G. M. Gillard; Runner-up, N. A. E. Mackay. Senior Handicap Singles—Winner, A. E. P. Guest; Runner-up, E. C. Fincher. Junior Handicap Singles—Winner, R. S. Capell; Runner-up, R. Kloss. Senior Doubles Handicap—Winners, D. J. N. Anderson and Frank Grove; Runners-up, E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett.

Billiards and Snooker

Senior Championship—Winner, J. H. S. Duncan; Runner-up, E. Curtis. Junior Championship—Winner, A. E. Carey; Runner-up, A. H. Martin. Snooker—Winner, J. R. Luke; Runner-up, A. H. Martin.

Cricket

Batting, 1st XI—E. F. Fincher. Bowling, D. J. N. Anderson. Batting, 2nd XI—F. J. Lay. Bowling—R. Baldwin.

How Teddy Joyce Found Fame

Teddy Joyce, the dance band leader, who collapsed in Glasgow recently after performing with his band, died later.

It was stated that he was suffering from spinal fever.

He was a Canadian, and his real name was Edmund John Cuthbertson. He was originally an eccentric dancer, but in the hands of Louis K. Sidney, to whom he owed his career, jumped into fame as a conductor.

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Nazi Fraus And French Charmers

According to the Berlin correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News," the latest problem which faces the Nazi leaders is to convince the women of Germany that their husbands are not succumbing to the blandishments of the ladies of France.

An article in the current issue of the "Schwarzerkorps" scolds irresponsible gossipers, and offers "relief and comfort to hearts which are unnecessarily tortured."

It says: "No, dear German women, there is nothing in the story of the warrior from the north who succumbs to the charms of the deceiving siren and, like Tannhauser in the Venusberg mountain, forgets his own home in the process."

German wives, the article adds, "know, of course, that their men would not behave improperly, but the worn grays at their hearts, and next time their men come home and do not sleep because the coffee they bring with them is too strong, then it is the charming French women who have appeared to them in their sleep."

No More Ice Cream In Italy

Ice-cream and pastry are to be barred in Italy, and the ration of oil, butter and pork is to be cut to 12 ounces per person monthly, half the previous allowance.

Rome Radio's comment was meant as a comfort to the Italians for their loss.

"Letters of complaint have reached me about the misuse of foodstuffs, especially of butter and fats," said the commentator. "Cannot we do without pastry? The letters ask. Certain pastry shops are the centres of attraction for the scribes of the feudal aristocracy and feudal intellectuals, and places where defeatist stories are spread. So say the letters."

Palates Hit

"I feel like answering: Just you wait a little my good people, and you will see that the Government will meet your demands. The logical consequences of the restrictive use of fats has come, and pastries and ice cream are forbidden. The palates of some people will be hit and also their special brand of irresponsibility."

"Conversations between people who manifest pessimism in all but in their appetites will be reduced. It has become impossible now for certain degenerates to satisfy their caprices."

Juan Ready For Throne Of Spain

Prince Juan, heir-designate to the non-existent Spanish Throne, has declared formally his readiness to return to Spain as King when the day of restoration comes, reports Associated Press from Rome, quoting Spanish royalist sources.

When the royalists met recently the Prince pledged himself to uphold the principles of his father, the late Alfonso XIII.

The Prince was reported to have told the royalists the day of restoration "may not be far off."

Sure Ways To Get Rid Of A Wife

FORT WORTH, Texas, May 3 (UP)—Dr. A. L. Porterfield, who conducts a clinic on marriage and family life at Texas Christian University, lists the following "sure" ways to get rid of a wife:

1. Learn to flick cigarette ashes on the floor with maximum damage to the rug.
2. Never have fewer than four rubber blades scattered on the bathroom floor.
3. Go home late for dinner at least three times a week.



RUINS OF A MANCHESTER CHURCH. This was one of the many non-military objectives bombed by the Germans during their recent blitz on the city.

Italians In U.S. Form Anti-Mussolini Party

A GROUP of Italians in the United States is now making what appears to be a serious effort to form a Free Italy body on the lines of the Free French organisation of General de Gaulle.

This movement would have two objectives: 1. Establishment in the U. S. of an anti-Fascist Italian Government which would be headed by Count Carlo Sforza, formerly Foreign Minister in Italy, and who was Italian Ambassador to France when Mussolini came to power. Count Sforza is now lecturer at Virginia University.

Secret War Training For New York Police

By PIERRE VILLERE

United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, May 2 (UP)—A special emergency squad of 300 picked members of the New York police has been secretly trained in all phases of civilian protection against modern warfare, but what their new duties will be is a deep, dark secret.

War experts have agreed that even if this country enters the war, there is little likelihood that New York City will be bombed. For that reason, the men themselves are speculating on whether they might not be sent away from the city.

One belief was that the emergency squad might train others here and then go to England to take up the places of civilian defenders, thus releasing able-bodied men for the British Army.

Six Weeks' Training
The men were trained for six weeks, and after their course was completed, they were returned quietly to their normal posts. Every precaution was taken to prevent details of their training from becoming known.

Only men especially skilled in various trades and crafts were chosen. They were given a rigid physical examination, and sent for routine training to the School for the Soldier on Randall's Island.

They were taught the methods found most successful in London of coping with emergencies due to building collapses, such as might be caused by bombings.

They learned the use of the swinging belt—a belt attached to a roof from which a man can drop to various window levels or swing to other buildings. They were taught first aid. They became expert in methods of maintaining order and

2. The creation of an officers' corps which would be sent to Libya to organize a revolutionary army among captured troops in preparation for invasion of Italy. This force, it is proposed, would train in Canada.

Fought in Spain

Some of the group, which is at present attempting to start a Free Italy movement, hope it may be possible to get Randolpho Piccardi, who commanded the Garibaldi Brigade, which fought on the side of the Republican forces in Spain, to lead the projected officers' corps.

Professor Max Ascoli, of the New School for Social Research in New York, one of the leading anti-Fascist Italian-Americans in this city, was anxious to stress the fact that the movement is so far in a preliminary stage.

He would not say what the British reaction was, but in another quarter it was said the British authorities have indicated tentatively that they may be willing to give encouragement and perhaps definite backing to such a movement.

Eccentric Barber's New Coiffure

BRID, Pennsylvania, May 2 (UP).—The question of what constitutes a haircut was taken under legal advisement here recently.

A certain eccentric barber, addicted to drinking while at work, ran his clippers across the top of a woman customer's head from original coiffure of his own creation.

The customer complained to police who sent a detective to investigate. The officer returned to headquarters bald as an egg.

"This barber had my hair off before I could raise a finger," he said.

HE GOT 2,000 FT. LIFT

Gunner James Griffiths had one of the greatest adventures of the war recently.

It involved an unexpected trip of 2,000 feet above the earth.

And it was all due to a misunderstanding.

When a barrage balloon began to ascend at a Western town, Gunner Griffiths thought it had broken from its moorings.

Hoping to retard its rising—actually it was going aloft normally—he gripped a guide-rope.

This he twisted round his waist and legs. He gripped another rope with his teeth.

Crew Horrified

The horrified crew saw him ascend to 2,000 feet before they could check the balloon.

Then, as people gasped, they lowered it to the ground.

Gunner Griffiths was quite safe, thank you.

DEFICIENT DIET WILL KILL MORE THAN FIGHTING

PITTSBURGH, May 2 (UP).

The present European food blockade may claim a far greater toll of life than actual fighting, according to Dr. Charles C. Higgins, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Diet deficiencies caused by lack of vitally essential foodstuffs, will be responsible for havoc among the European people in the present war, according to the nutrition expert.

Research after the Great War, according to Dr. Higgins, "showed an increase in kidney stones due to diet deficiencies."

It also showed that German children born during the war were on an average shorter than children who lived under circumstances where all dietary items were plentiful.

Dane Hit A Nazi, Gets 4 Years

A Copenhagen Court has sentenced four Danes to long terms of imprisonment for attacking German soldiers.

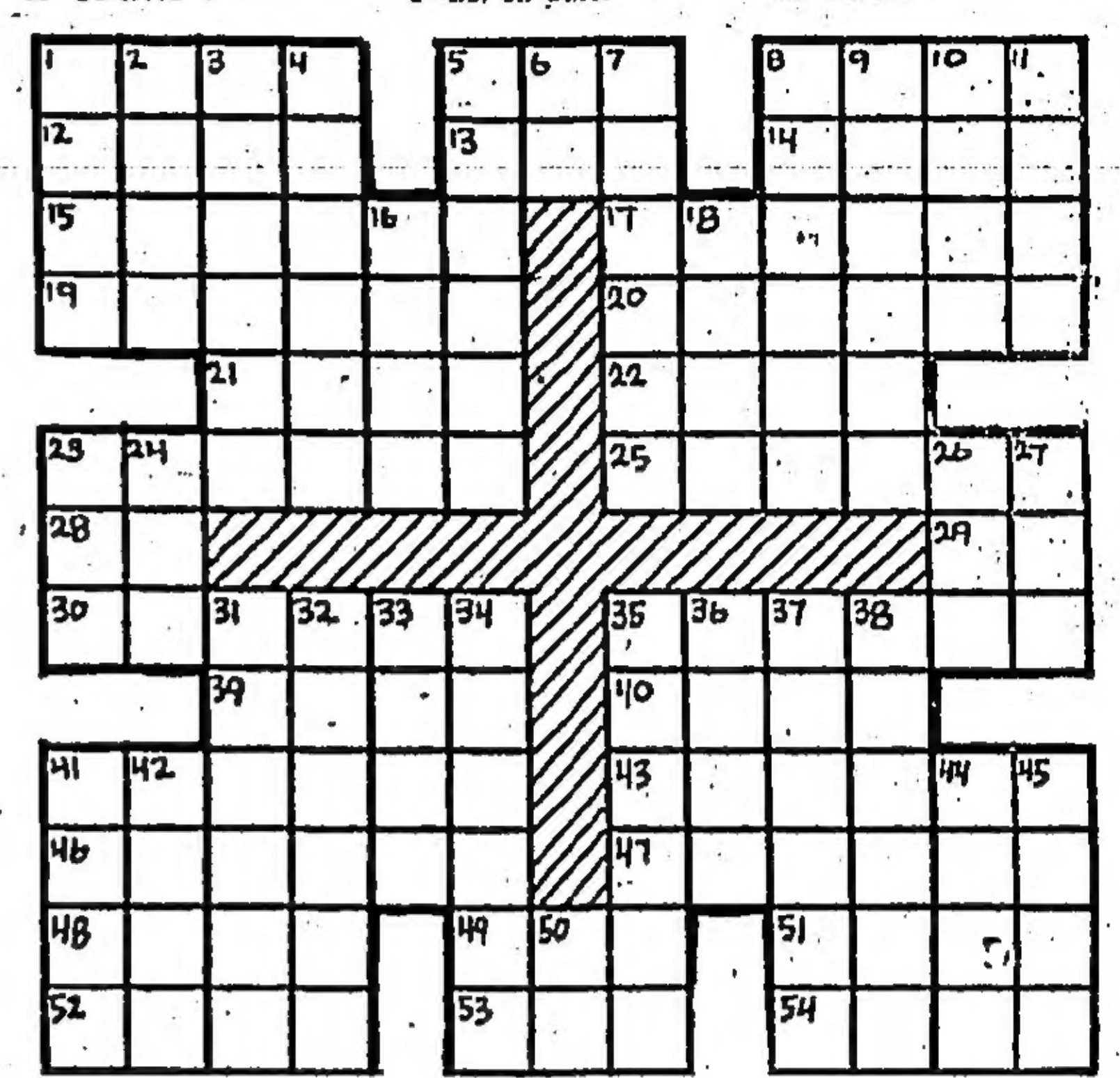
One Dane was sentenced to four years for felling a German with an empty whisky bottle.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARA MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

- ACROSS
- 1—Girl
 - 2—Dandelion
 - 3—Way out
 - 4—Sea (Dutch)
 - 5—District
 - 6—Narrowly
 - 7—Pertaining to Spring
 - 8—Nudge again
 - 9—Wandering
 - 10—On grand scale
 - 11—Disturbance
 - 12—Hasty measures of health
 - 13—Drainpipes
 - 14—King of Sheban
 - 15—Exclamation
 - 16—Kind of sheep's fleece
 - 17—Milk food
 - 18—Money
 - 19—Perilous soil
 - 20—Slip by
 - 21—Knocks over
 - 22—Customary
 - 23—Part of water
 - 24—Therefore
 - 25—Winters unite
 - 26—Look amorously
 - 27—Observed
- DOWN
- 1—Shakespearean line
 - 2—Liar on wheels
 - 3—Silly smile
 - 4—Bonds of
 - 5—Mexican Indians
 - 6—Fence article
 - 7—Crows
 - 8—Over-decorated
 - 9—Mason's hammer
 - 10—Sodium chloride
 - 11—Short sleep
 - 12—Large lake
 - 13—Swear
 - 14—Austrian title
 - 15—Novel by H. Rider Haggard
 - 16—Fruit
 - 17—Late English
 - 18—Yachtsman
 - 19—Otherwise
 - 20—Required
 - 21—Knowledge
 - 22—Web-like membrane
 - 23—Let it stand
 - 24—Parent



EMPEROR'S GIRL SOLDIER

Marches To Fight Italians

With the Emperor Haile Selassie's expeditionary force which has marched into Abyssinia is one woman. She is Miss Banichygu Kidani, a 23-year-old nurse, who was once sentenced to death by the Italians.

She disguised herself as a boy to join the expedition.

"I appealed to the Emperor to allow me to accompany his troops as a hospital nurse," she said, "but he refused on the ground that the journey would be too severe for a woman."

"So I cut off my hair, disguised myself as a soldier, and marched, until one day the Emperor recognized me and, since it was too late to send me back, allowed me to remain."

Miss Kidani's father, a colonel in the Emperor's army, was hanged by the Italians in the market-place at Addis Ababa 10 months ago.

Put Amongst Lepers

Captured in the Abyssinian war, Miss Kidani was imprisoned in Addis Ababa by the Italians, who ordered her execution. With the aid of an American missionary, she got some medicine which made her so violently ill that the Italian authorities, believing her to be suffering from an infectious and fatal disease, put her in the Abyssinian leper colony.

A Swedish doctor helped her to escape and, after many adventures, she reached a Sudanese outpost. In 1939 she returned to Abyssinia to join the rebels.

Returning to the Sudan, she worked as a nurse until the Emperor's arrival at Khartoum from England.

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Matsuoka Makes A Suggestion

U. S. Visit To Japan

TOKYO, May 4 (Reuter).—Discarding suggestions that he should go to the United States, Mr. Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, in an interview at Kyoto, asserted that it would be far more appropriate for President Roosevelt or Mr. Cordell Hull to come to Tokyo to learn about the conditions existing in the Orient.

"I studied in America; I know Americans and I can grasp the real situation now existing in the United States; but I doubt whether President Roosevelt or Mr. Hull can grasp the true situation in the Far East."

"I believe that Japanese-American problems could be more easily solved by President Roosevelt or Mr. Hull visiting Japan than by my going to the United States," he said.

Hitler Playing The Same Old Tune

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without scruple in the interests of their kind.

"Loyal" Weakening
Referring to the attack on Yugoslavia and Greece, Hitler said that the operations were greatly facilitated by the sympathetic assistance of Hungary and the loyal attitude of Rumania, without which it would have been extremely difficult to carry out his plans in time.

He described Mr. Churchill's decision to send troops to Greece as "one of the famous strategical blunders of this war."

The prisoners of war taken in the Balkans included, Hitler said, Serbs—exclusive of men of German origin, Croats and Macedonians—6,238 officers and more than 330,000 men; Greeks, 8,000 officers and 210,000 men.

He declared that only two tank divisions, one Alpine division and S.S. body guard troops were used in the fighting against the British and Australians in Greece.

The German losses, Hitler announced, were 37 officers and 1,042 N.C.O.'s and men killed; 181 officers and 3,571 N.C.O.'s and men wounded; and 13 officers and 372 N.C.O.'s and men missing.

Italian Sacrifices
Hitler added that Italy obtained territorial and political influence as a result of the Balkan campaign, "she has more than earned it by the great sacrifices in blood which she has made for the future of the Axis since October last year."

The temporary reverses in Libya, Hitler said, were caused by inferiority in tanks and anti-tank weapons.

Hitler drew a definite distinction between the Greek people and "the thin top layer of leaders and a King who preferred to further British policy."

Nazi Women Must Work
Paying tribute to the quality of German weapons and munitions, Hitler declared, "We must maintain the lead we now have. German women must make an additional contribution to the national effort."

Referring presumably to the United States, Hitler said, "If Democratic agitators are counting on choking the National Socialist State with the force of their system and material production there can only be one answer—the German people will never again experience a year like 1918. The force of arms will never make us yield, let alone break us. The German soldier will be given still better weapons this year and next year."

Greatest Confidence
"I can assure you that I face the future with perfect calm and the greatest confidence. Germany and her Allies represent a force superior to any possible combination and the year 1941 will be inscribed in history as the greatest year in the rise of our nation."
Hitler expressed thanks "to Almighty God for allowing Germany to achieve such successes with so little loss of life" and added, "We can only beg him not to forsake our people also in the future."
"In this Jewish capitalistic age," Hitler concluded, "the National Socialist State stands out as a solid monument to commonsense. The National Socialist State will not only survive this war but will survive for a thousand years to come."

LATE NEWS

Soviet Ships For China Seas

CHUNGKING, May 5 (Central News).—Nine Soviet steamers will soon ship articles of daily necessity from Vladivostok to Shanghai, and a Soviet shipping company will also be organized to undertake shipping in the China Sea, including the transportation of rice and coal to Shanghai, says a Shanghai report.

Price of rice, coal and other commodities in the port city is expected to drop considerably if the Soviet shipping project is realized.

AMERICAN VICE-CONSUL

Mr. John S. Service who is on the way to Chungking to take up an appointment there as American Vice-Consul, is in the Colony. He is remaining here for a short while.

Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin of the No. 2 Police Station, Wanchai district, is leaving the Colony this week on four months' leave to Sydney, Australia, where he will be joined by his wife who is at present in Melbourne.



LEGION CHIEF ABROAD—Milo Warner, national commander of the American Legion, meets Wilfred the Duck, RAF mascot, and his canine friend, at an unnamed British air field. Mr. Warner was studying civilian defence.

Hongkong's Big Part In Supplying Empire Ships

Hongkong's two big shipbuilding yards are working hand in hand with other shipbuilders in the Empire to supply cargo vessels for the merchant fleet.

Both the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd and the Taikoo Dockyard are building handy cargo carriers up to 5,000 tons. The former last year built not only the hull of a fast modern cargo boat, but also her main propelling engines, the largest marine power unit which has come out of this part of the world.

India, ancient builder of ships, is preparing to launch vessels equal to the best of the West.

Although South Africa has no real shipbuilding industry, Durban's well-equipped repairing yard and dry dock are most valuable to-day when shipping goes round the Cape instead of through Suez.

In the last 18 months, Australia has greatly extended her shipbuilding resources. A new shipyard, employing 2,000 men, is being established at Whyalla, South Australia, to build ships of up to 12,000 tons. The famous Cockatoo Island yard can build four ships at one time, while Mort's Dock, Sydney, can turn out two large and several small vessels simultaneously. Both Port Adelaide and Williamstown, with experience of building ships in the last war, still possess expert labour.

The equipment of the Commonwealth to handle the engineering side of shipbuilding is shown by the orders to the value of £250,000 for marine propelling engines and auxiliary machinery recently placed in Queensland.

Canada has now more than doubled the 4,000 skilled workers employed before the war in her 40 shipbuilding and repairing establishments. Contracts for 18 merchant vessels, each of 9,300 tons carrying capacity, have just been placed in Quebec, Montreal and Vancouver.

It is expected that in about a year's time the first of them will be sent down the ways.

These ships from the Empire, together with the reservoir of new tonnage in U.S.A., are an important addition, increasing month by month, to the growing expansion of Britain's own war-time fleet of merchantmen.

Deprived Of Nationality

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, May 4 (UP).—By a decree issued to-day, Marshal Petain has deprived Eve Curie, Henry Bernstein and 27 others of their French citizenship, and confiscated their properties in the first application of the law empowering Marshal Petain to withdraw the nationality of French citizens abroad who by acts, speeches or writings seek to impede Petain's national revolution or pursue a policy liable to harm French nationals.

Minister Flew Bombers Over Enemy Territory

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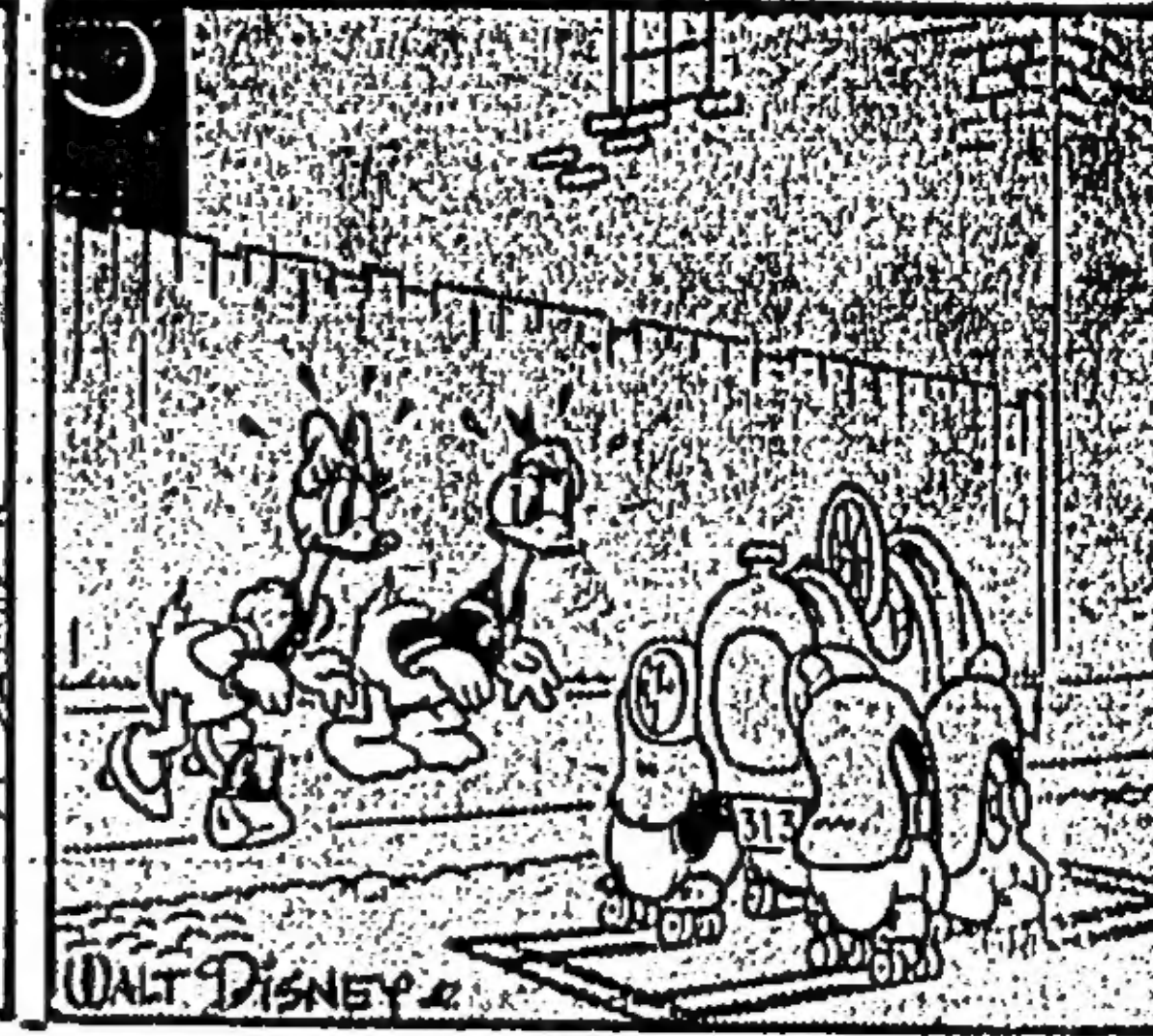
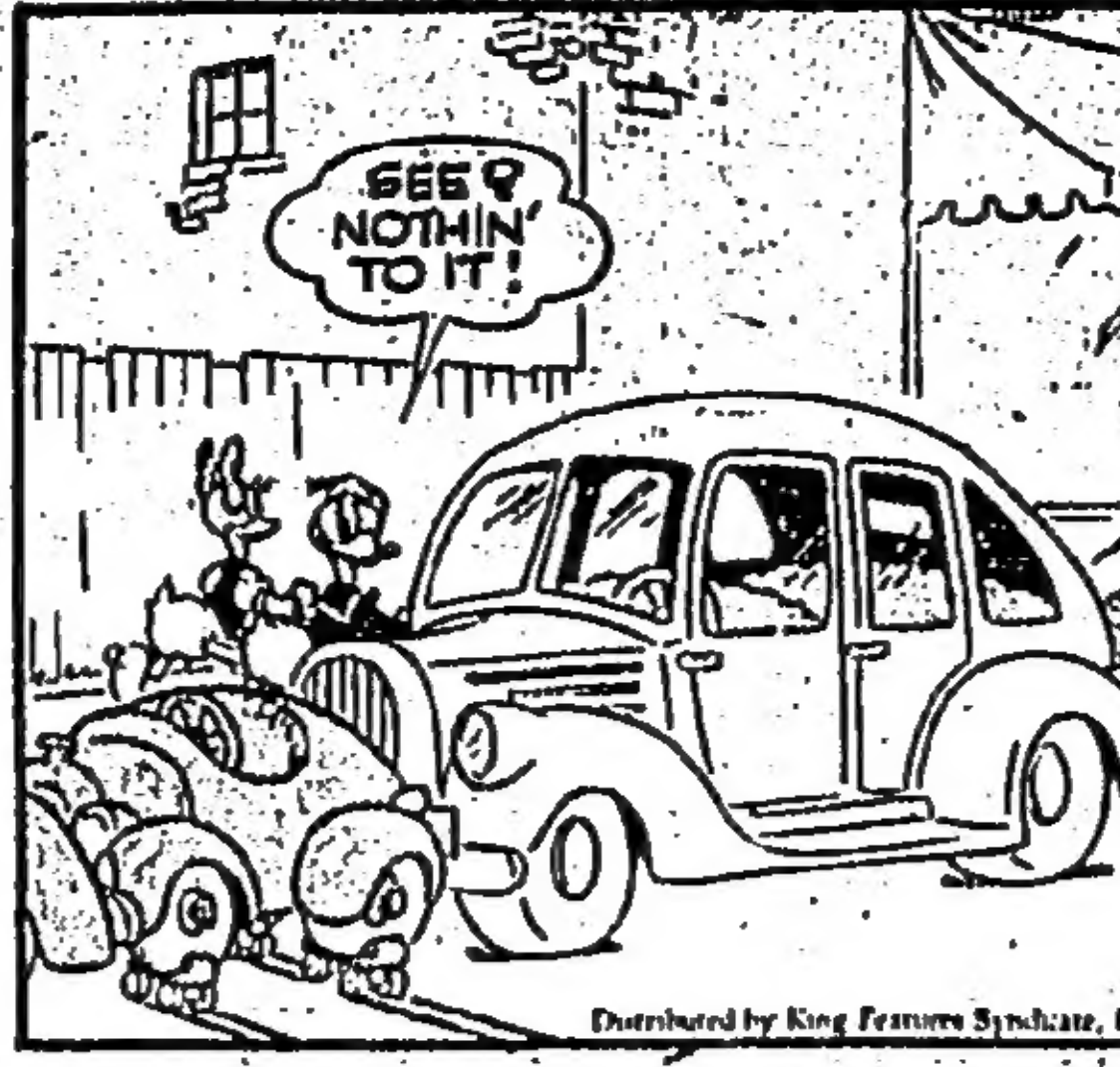
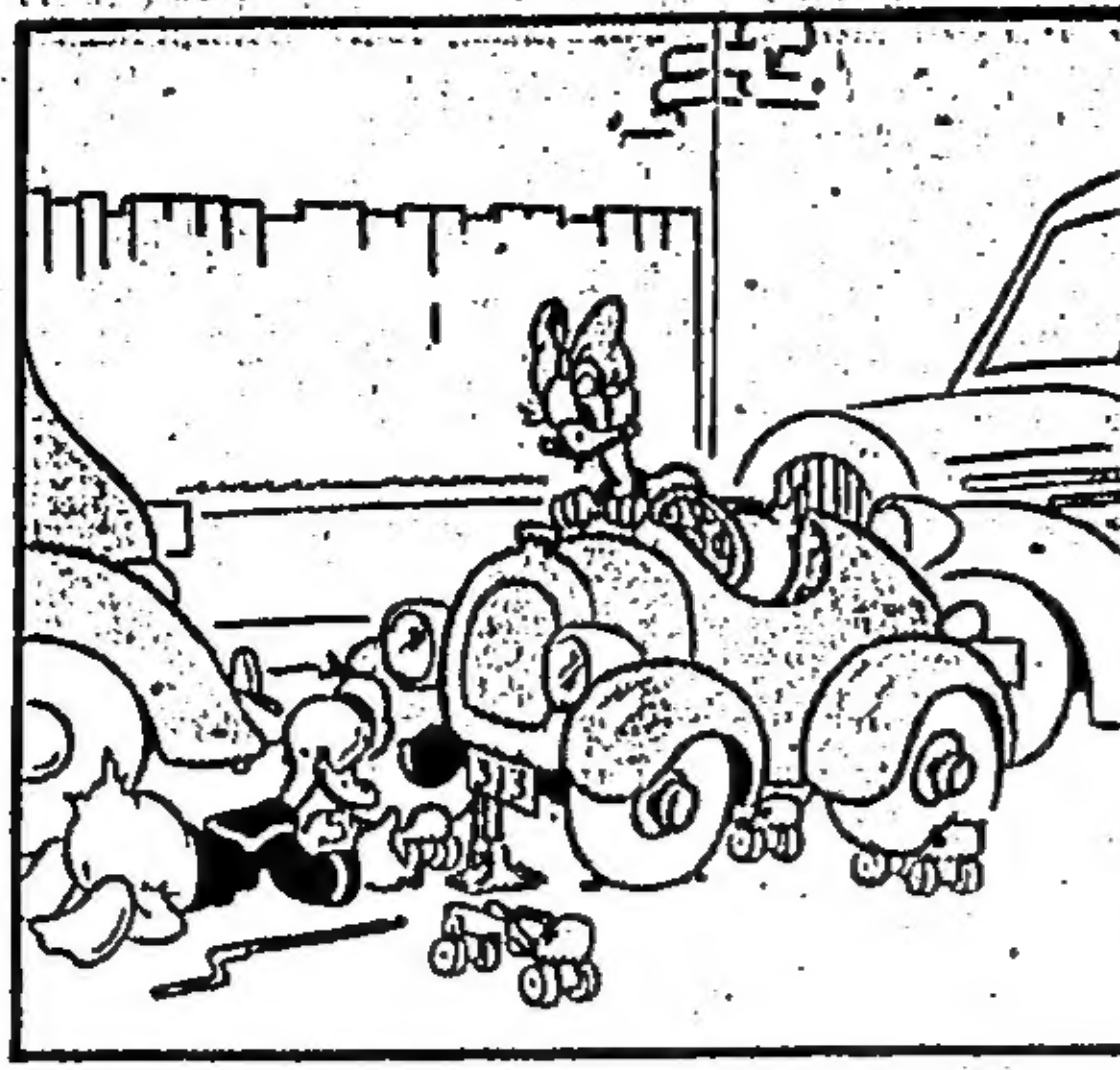
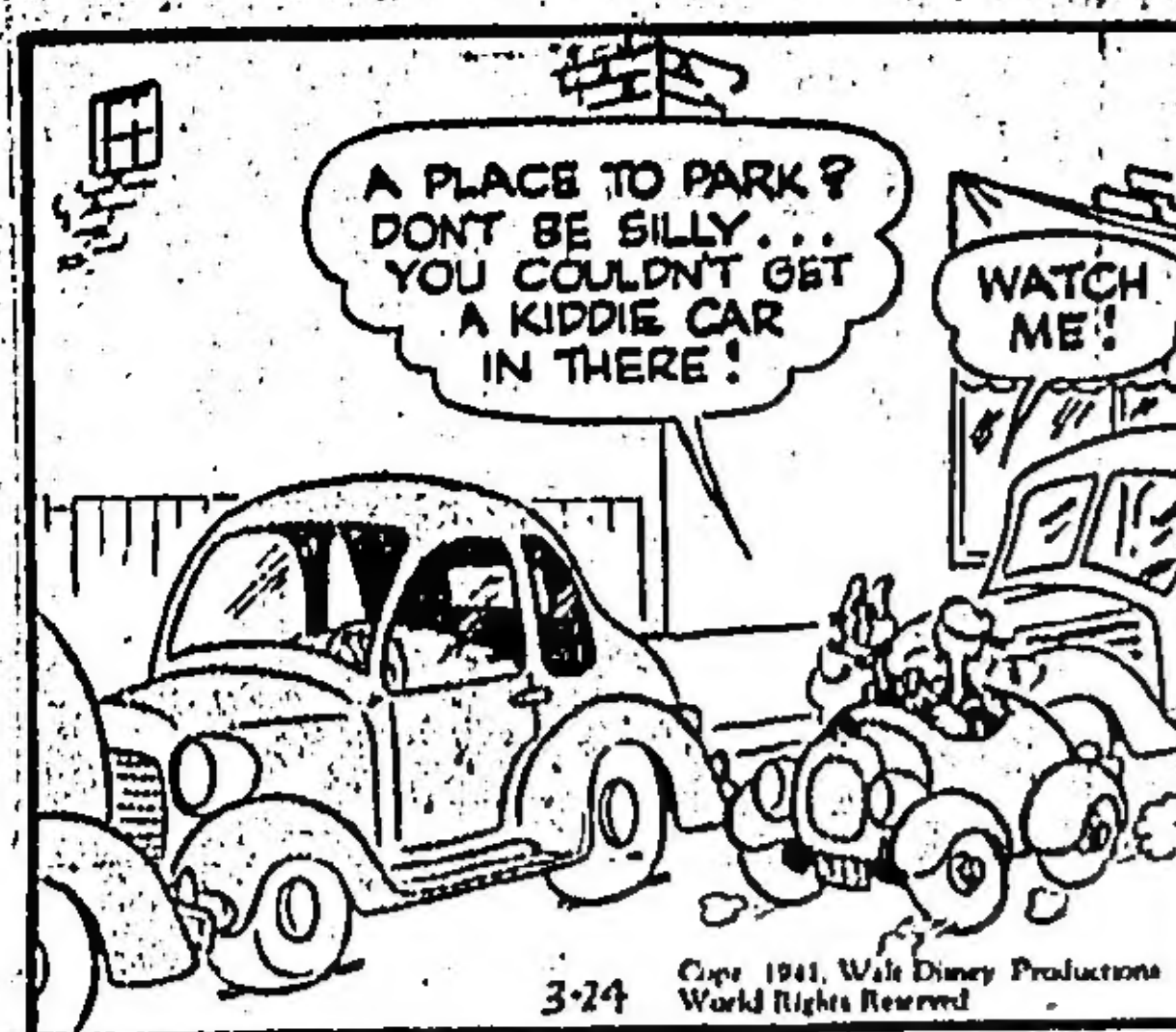
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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 'Dance Music'.

1.0 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Variety with Dorothy Dickson, Curtis and Ames and George Formby.

Vocal—The Window Cleaner (Cliff and others), The Lonesome Town (Cliff and others), George Formby and his Ukulele with Orchestra; Vocal Duet—You Can't Pull the Wool over my Eyes (Ager and others), Cheer Up (Mayer), Curtis and Ames with Piano; Vocal—'Crest of the Wave' (Hassall and Ivor Novello), If You Only Knew, Dorothy Dickson (Soprano), Why Isn't it You, Dorothy Dickson and Walter Criswell; Concert—George Formby Medley—Intro., Sitting on the Ice, Do de oh Doh, Chinese Laundry Blues, Madame Moscovitch, My Ukulele, Fanlight Fanny, George Formby with his Ukulele and Orchestra; Vocal—Accent on Youth (film 'Accent on Youth'), Curtis and Ames with Piano.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, and Announcements.

1.45 Diva—Quartet in A Flat Major, Op. 105. Prague String Quartet.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 p.m. Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Mendelssohn—Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64. Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and the State Opera Orchestra.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—'Questions of the Hour'.

7.30 Eileen Joyce (Piano) and Pau Casals ('Cello').

(a) Si oiseau j'étais, a toi je volerais (Bird study) (Henselt); (b) En Route (concert study) (Palmgren); La Danse d'Olaf (Riccardo Fick—Mangiala); Eileen Joyce (Piano), Apres un Rêve (Faure); A Village Song (Popper); Pau Casals ('Cello') with piano; Trois Danses Fantastiques (Shostakovich); Scherzo Op. 10 No. 2 (D'Albert); Eileen Joyce (Piano); Andante (Bach), Aria from suite in D (Bach), Pau Casals ('Cello') with piano.

8.0 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 This week's programmes.

8.05 Basil Roosa and his Orchestra, Serenade from 'Frasquita' (Lehar), Valentina (Wright—Dunn), Moorish March (Mohr).

8.15 London Relay—'Hill, Gang'.

9.0 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Charlie Kunz at the Piano and the Mills Brothers.

Vocal—Sleepy Head (film 'Operetta 13'), Put on your Old Grey Bonnet (Murphy and Wenrich), The Mills Brothers; Piano—Kunz Revivals No. 2; Intro. I Never Realized; Birth of the Blues; Pink Elephants; Rose in the Bud; Speak to me of Love; Someday I'll find You, Charlie Kunz; Vocal—Star Dust (Garmichael and others), The Mills Brothers; Piano—Kunz Revivals No. 3; Intro. Poor Butterfly; After You've Gone; Whispering; Alice Blue Gown; Just a little Love, a little Kiss; The Chocolate Soldier Waltz; Charlie Kunz; Vocal—Funiculi Funicula (Denza), Asleep in the Deep (Patrie, Lamb), The Mills Brothers.

9.45-10.0 News in French (on Short Wave Only).

9.45 Concert Waltzes.

Farmyard (Corker Tune), Springtime Waltz (Composer Unknown), Continental Novelty Orchestra; When the Lemons Bloom (Johann Strauss), Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra; Souvenir Flouri (Composer Unknown), Nullo Romani and his Orchestra.

10.0 London Relay—'News from Home' by Howard Marshall.

10.15 New Dance Music with Variety.

Fox-Trots—Oh! Look at me now, You might have belonged to another, Tommy Dorsey and his Orchestra; Vocal—A Little Old Church in England (Irving Berlin), Barry Wood (Baritone) with Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Jenny (film 'Lady in the Dark'), This is New (film 'Lady in the Dark').

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventy-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 21st May, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 7th May to the 21st May, 1941, both days inclusive.

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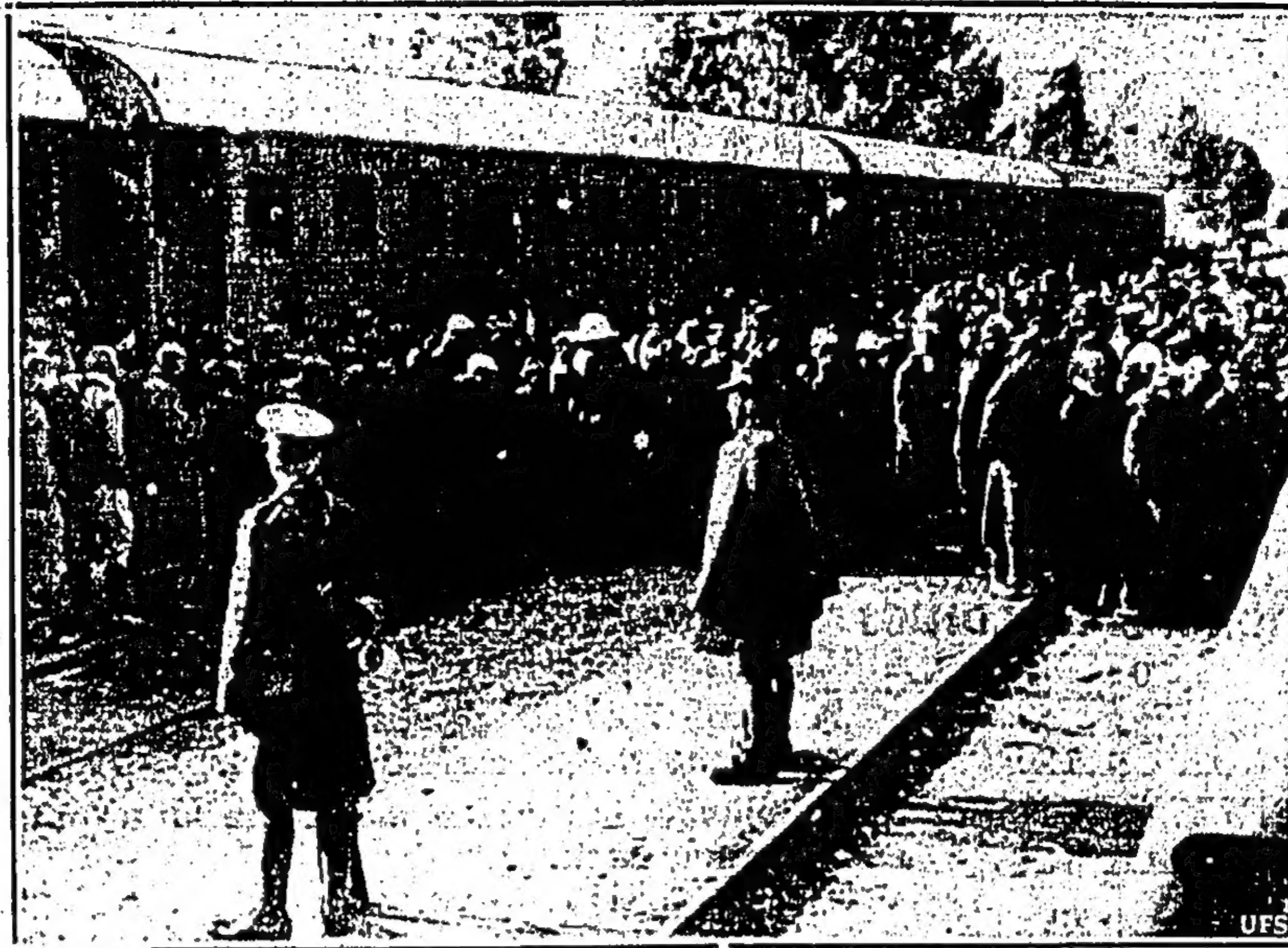
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11.0 Close down.

The master of a British steamer which arrived in Hongkong on Friday reported to the Police that he sighted a burning junk in Latitude 22° 23' North and Longitude 114° 44' East. The junk is considered a danger to navigation.



TO PALESTINE—Italian prisoners captured by the British in the Libyan campaign are shipped to Palestine for internment. Here they are shown disembarking from a train at an undisclosed point after travelling from the Western Desert.

SIX SUPER-CLIPPERS TO FLY BEFORE 1942

Six new Boeing 42-ton super-Clippers, ordered by Pan-American Airways, are being prepared, months ahead of their original schedule, to take their place on the world's airways before the end of this year.

Construction on the Clippers is being accelerated for two good reasons. One is to clear the Boeing plant for production of flying fortresses. Equally important, even as a wartime measure, is to use these ships to expand trans-Atlantic passenger and mail service.

Nightsoil Workless Appeal

The Chinese members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, with the Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospital Committee, have now intervened in the nightsoil impasse, to invite the charitable to donate money for relief of coolies who have been thrown out of work by the Government's taking over of the service.

The following letter, which speaks for itself, is addressed to the Editor, South China Morning Post:

Sir,—May we trespass upon your columns to appeal to the charitable minded of Hongkong to give donations to form a relief fund for the night soil coolies who are unemployed as the result of Government taking over the night soil removal, pending their re-absorption by the Urban Council or other employment.

We should like to make it clear that donations are invited on the following terms:

The Body responsible for the relief will have complete discretion as to what relief should be given, and in particular the Relief Body shall have full discretion in refusing aid where the Relief Body is satisfied that the applicant for relief is not making any bona fide efforts to obtain employment, e.g. by registering with the Urban Council for employment as soon as a vacancy occurs.

Whilst relief will be given to the extent of the financial resources available, on the lines stated above, should there be any ultimate balance remaining, we are to have full discretion, in consultation with the Hon. the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, to donate such balance to charities, instead of returning the same to the donors.

The Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital have kindly undertaken to administer the Relief Fund.

Pending the receipt of public donations an advance has been obtained through the good offices of the Hon. the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, which has been rendered available at once to the Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital.

All donations should be sent either to the Chairman, Tung Wah Hospital, or to Mr Li Tse-fong, c/o The Bank of East Asia, Ltd. who will issue acknowledgments thereof.

Through the courtesy of the Press it is hoped to publish in due course a complete list of subscriptions. Yours faithfully,

ROBERT KOTTEWALL, M. K. Lo, W. N. T. TAM, Li Tse-fong, and Fung Chi-yung (Chairman, Tung Wah Hospital).

In their efforts to obtain revision of Government's decision regarding the departmental nightsoil collection

So big are the flying boats that the hull must be trundled outside the plant to the dock where the wings, tail surfaces, hydro-stabilisers and engines are attached. Here in its beaching gear with cranes and workmen handling it, the Clipper is again a matter-of-shipbuilding.

Known officially as Model 314-A, the new super-Clippers are of the same basic size and design as the Boeing Model 314 now in use. But they have the improvements that make them "super," new engine-propeller combination, increased fuel capacity and interior improvements. Engines in the super-Clippers are Wright Cyclones with 1,600 horsepower per engine available for quicker take-off. Propellers have been increased 10 inches in diameter.

Fuel tanks built into the hydro-stabilisers of the new ships hold an additional 1,200 gallons of fuel. This gives them a total capacity of 6,400 gallons which means that the new Clippers have a greater range stop cruising range amounting to more than 4,000 miles.

New Features

Clipper users will notice several new features in the ship's interiors. By a rearrangement of the seats the night time sleeping capacity has been increased and space found for a galley at the front of the passenger quarters.

New interior decorative treatment includes a new fabric into which has been woven a design of the map of the world.

The new ships are presumably intended for the trans-Atlantic airways. Recent news dispatches from Pan-American of three of them for use in maintaining British Empire communications and it is understood that these boats are being tentatively earmarked for Britain.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued on Saturday:

Buyers	
Providents	\$4.00
Tram	\$10
Entertainment	\$0.50
Hotels	\$2.80
Sellers	
Ropes	\$7
Sales	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	94.50
Docks	\$15

service, the coolies, who held two street demonstrations last week are now seeking legal advice to prepare a petition to be presented to His Excellency the Governor.

It will be recalled that four delegates of the workers interviewed Mr F. D. Teasdale, Administrative Assistant to the Chairman of the Urban Council, on Friday. On Thursday, they had appealed to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Firing Practices

Heavy and Light Guns In Action This Week

Firing practice as under is notified for to-day:

(a) Heavy gun practice between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Alternative dates—May 6, 9, 10, 11. Firing areas "D" and "E" will be affected; (b) Reserved between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. for heavy A.A. gun practice in the southern area of the Island (originally detailed for 28/4/41, 1/5/41, and 2/5/41). Firing Area "C" will be affected; (c) Light gun practice between the hours of 6 p.m. and 12 midnight. Firing Areas "D" and "E" will be affected.

Firing practice as under is notified for to-morrow:

(a) Heavy gun practice between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Firing area "C" will be affected. Alternative date—May 7, 1941; (b) Reserved between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. for heavy A.A. gun practice in the southern area of the Island (originally detailed for 28/4/41, 1/5/41, and 2/5/41). Firing Area "C" will be affected.

Light gun practice will be carried out between the hours of 6 p.m. and 12 midnight on May 7, 8, 9, 1941. Firing Areas "D" and "E" will be affected.

Reserved on May 8, 1941 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. for heavy gun anti-aircraft practice in the southern area of the Island (originally detailed for 28/4/41, 1/5/41, and 2/5/41). Firing Area "C" will be affected.

Nazi Racket In Newsprint

Germany, with her army sprawling all over the Continent, holding communications tightly in her grasp, is exploiting her position by acting as middleman between one country and another.

Reports reaching London say that Berlin recently offered to sell to Jugoslavia several thousand tons of newsprint and wood pulp.

For many years Germany has been a heavy buyer of these commodities from Scandinavia.

With their arbitrarily fixed exchange rates the Nazis are buying the pulp and newsprint in Norway, Sweden and Finland, and selling dearly in the Balkans.

Goebbels, too, has a part in these transactions. He is using Germany's ability to hold up supplies of newsprint to ensure that Axis news gets "good press" in south-eastern Europe.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/2
Demand London	1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	455
T.T. Singapore	62 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	23 1/2
T.T. Manila	47 1/2
T.T. Batavia	44 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	103
T.T. France	101
T.T. Switzerland	101
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24 1/2
4 m/s France	11 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.03 1/2

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,325 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	71 n.
Chartered	78 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	22 1/2 n.
Mercantile C. & E.	11 1/2 n.
East Asia	70 b.
INSURANCES	
Cantons	222 1/2 n.
Union	420 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	107 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglas & Co.	128 n.
Steamboats	8 1/4 n.
Indo-China S. S.	80 b.
Indo-China D. S.	60 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-	40/7 1/2 n.
Waterboats	6.55 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	85 1/2 n.
Docks	15 n.
Providents	4.00 b.
S'hai Dockyards	25 1/2 n.
MINING	
Kallan s/-	12/8 n.
Raub s/-	8 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 cts. n.
LANDS	
Hotels	2.80 b. & sa.
Lands	31 n.
Lands 4 1/2% Debentures	87 1/2 n.
S'hai Lands Sh.	12 1/2 n.
Humphreys	6.70 n.
H.K. Realities	2.80 n.
Chinese Estates	99 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	16 n.
Peak Trams (old)	7 1/4 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	61 1/4 n.
Y. Ferries	23 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	0 n.
China Lights (new)	1 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x. rts.	24 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	23 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric Rts	13 1/2 n.
Mao Electric	12 n.
Sandakan Lights	12 n.
Telephones (old)	23 n.
Telephones (new)	9 1/4 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald. Macg. (Ord.), Sh.	30 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.), Sh.	25 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cements	15 n.
H.K. Ropes	6.00 s.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms	17 1/4 n.
Watsons	9 1/4 n.
Lane Crawfords	7 1/4 n.
Sinceres	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	39 n.
Powell Ltd.	1 1/4 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	38 n.
S'hai Cotton Sh.	200 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Govt 4 1/2%	97 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934)	94 1/4 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940)	94 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S.Bds.	282 n.
Entertainments	8 1/4 b.
Constructions (old)	100 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	7.20 n.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) s/-	0/3 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/-	2/6 n.

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INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco direct, 28th April, 1941, May 6.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco direct, 6th May, 1941, May 13.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

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A POISONED GENERATION

THOSE well-meaning persons who seem to be more anxious about the kind of peace that will follow the war than about winning the war, should consider more seriously than they do the character of the Germany that will have to be dealt with when the war is over. The people of the Kaiser's Reich were difficult to negotiate with and more difficult still to pin down to any engagement. The present generation will be of an even more untrustworthy character and more determined than any preceding generation to assert the fantastic claims of German superiority over all races and nations.

Hitler is held up to the German people, and especially to German youth, as a deity. If he himself believes that, he is a man of disordered brain. If he does not, he is a blasphemous scoundrel. But whatever he be or is believed to be, the effect is the same upon the youth of Germany. For years their only mental and moral food has been that dished up by teachers who are sworn to teach nothing but Hitler and him glorified. What can be expected of children instructed by teachers who are bound by this oath?

"Adolf Hitler, we swear that we will train the youth of Germany that they grow up in your ideology, for your aims and purposes, in the direction set by your will. This is pledged to you by the whole German system of education, from the primary school through to the university."

It is said that forty years must elapse before a system of education can justly be judged. That is, one must wait to see what manner of man that system has produced in a people who are free to think as they will. Under the Nazi tyranny, however, no such freedom is enjoyed, and by mass production a type of human being is turned out which is developed only on one side, without any corrective or restraint to a pursuit which can bring nothing but conflict and misery to the world.

THE EPIC OF THE "51st"

By G. E. LEY SMITH

When Hitler started his blitzkrieg, the gigantic wheeling movement of his armies through Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg pivoted on the position held by the 51st Division at the north end of the Maginot Line proper.

In the midst of the fighting around Remelung the Gordons were unaware that the Nazis had been sweeping across the Low Countries.

Only when they had left the "Maginot" and had assembled in a big wood near Metzervisse with other units of the 51st Division did they receive an inkling of the desperate situation that had arisen.

By this time, the Nazi "Panzer" divisions had driven their way through the Ardennes and broken the French line at Sedan.

With the Highland Divisions, the battalion was every man had duck or chicken. They rushed to the vicinity of Varennes, north-west of Verdun. It was intended that they should be used to stop the German break-through at Montmedy.

But the Dunkirk evacuation had started. Plans were changed. The Division was ordered to another front.

During the last days of May, when other Gordon battalions were fighting around Dunkirk before em-battled and dogs chained to barking the Highland Divisions were starving. The sion was moving across France to the Somme to stem the advance of the German spearhead which was heading rapidly towards Paris.

By a tediously long railway journey the battalion reached its destination in two-and-a-half days, travelling by Verdun round the south of Paris, and then northwards by Rouen to Neuve Chatelee.

The weather had broken. In torrential rain, the officers and men bivouacked in a wood, taking what shelter they could under the trees. From there, they marched sixty miles in three nights. By day they slept in woods. Every time they camped it rained continuously. But the men never groused at the discomfort.

One night they reached a small, completely deserted village. The civilian population had left behind them sent forward with three men stalled in almost every bush.

Of all the units in the British Army, the 51st is the most feared by the Nazis. The awesome reputation of the killed Highland regiments which form it was strengthened in German hearts by the men who fought so brilliantly and gallantly at St Valery last year.

The epic part played by the Gordon Highlanders in the Battle of France is told here in the living impressions of the men who suffered and survived in that sombre drama of men against metal.

This instalment tells how the Gordons were moved from the Maginot Line to the Estuary of the Somme to stem the tide of retreat in June, 1940.

2. Zero Hour Strikes On The Somme

hundreds of cows and all to silence the gun. The small party had evidently of a rich feast was not been seen advancing to the allowed to slip. Foraging attack, and a German trench mortar opened fire. Close to him. Undaunted by the fate of their N.C.O., the three men charged towards the haystack. Before they could reach it, however, the German gunners bolted, leaving their machine-gun behind them.

On June 2 the Gordons were moved into position at the Grand Bois, which lies about twelve kilometres from Abbeville, in front of the village of Cahou. Pierce fighting had been going on all along the Somme. Efforts by the French to drive the Germans back had had little success. Now the 51st Division had been given an eighteen-mile front on the river, from Erondelle to the sea.

As a German offensive across the Somme was imminent, an attack was decided upon for the morning of June 4. The Gordons were given the task of clearing le Grand Bois and advancing to another wood beyond.

To appreciate the difficulty of this operation, a description of the Grand Bois is necessary. It is a wood of unusual density. So thick is the undergrowth that it is impossible to see more than a dozen feet ahead. German machine-gun posts had been dug on the outskirts. Inside the wood becoming so troublesome the German infantry had that it had to be tackled immediately. Corporal Shepherd was Tommy guns had been in almost every bush.

Then came Norway, and for the Italian advance and rolled it weeks we talked knowingly of back? At present Libyan geography that all-important railway. No, is to the fore, and I fancy that I am not going to name them most of us are more confident for you. Do it yourself—if you can! Somehow we seemed to know a little more about France Derna and Bardia. But can we and Holland and Belgium, so go further back than that with perhaps their names stick better.

It is shocking how quickly we forget. The other day I came across a bundle of old maps, cut out of papers at the time, and how strange they looked! Yet I remember half agreeing with a friend who said scornfully, "But do you need those to make you remember where the places are?"

At the time I felt I could have drawn those maps from memory. But now I could not. Is this a disgraceful confession? I do not know. Didn't Sherlock Holmes, that prince of detectives, refuse to waste grey matter on such irrelevant details as the fact that the earth moves round the sun? So why should I waste energy trying to remember the exact whereabouts of the first important place they were captured when they stemmed the tide?

Even the names which were so prominent in the first Greek advance are forgotten as they advance yet farther. What was Hamm? The R.A.F. know just the first important place they were captured when they stemmed the tide?

and covered all the paths through the wood, which is about three-quarters of a mile deep.

On one side of the wood, to the left of the Gordons was a clump of trees, which was believed to be free of the enemy.

Round the wood, the undulating countryside was covered with long corn and hedgerows, proving admirable cover while the battalion waited for zero hour.

Two companies, "B" and "C," were to make the attack, with "D" Company following through to allow "B" to move out to the left of the wood when the objectives had been taken. "A" Company was to remain in reserve.

On the right of the Gordons, the Black Watch were also to attack, but the Sea-forts on the left were ordered to maintain their positions and keep up a screening fire.

In a light rain which fell on the night of June 3 patrols went out to reconnoitre the ground. They reported that machine-guns were posted on the fringe of the wood.

Waiting for their first big-scale attack, the men of "B" and "C" Companies lay among the long corn and behind hedges slightly to the right of the wood. Guns rumbled in the distance. Machine-guns occasionally stuttered. A ground mist was lifting just before the first light of dawn started to penetrate the edge of the Bois.

TO-MORROW:

Germans Routed At Bayonet Point

SUNDAY THEATRE HAILED

"The greatest step forward in the history of the theatre since Cromwell" was how Mr. John Gielgud, the actor, described the decision to allow Sunday opening of theatres in Britain.

This new step, announced by the Home Secretary, Mr. H. Morrison, in the House of Commons, enables a licensing authority to permit Sunday opening of theatres and music halls in districts where there are troops or a large number of munition workers.

With the exception of plays produced by special societies there have been no theatre performances on Sundays for 160 years, since the Sunday Observance Act of 1781.

On Equal Footing

The new regulation puts the theatre on a footing with the cinema and other forms of entertainment at a time when it is in need of all the assistance it can get.

Mr. Gielgud said that the new decision would enable managements to embark with assurance on new productions, giving employment to actors.

Mr. Bronson Albery, who controls the New Theatre, Wyndham's and the Criterion, said he had no doubt that Sunday opening was now a foregone conclusion in the West End and the suburbs. "Generally speaking, I should say that most theatres will decide to 'close' on Mondays, but possibly in some cases Fridays will be fixed," Mr. Albery added.

Actors and actresses welcome the new regulation, as it provides for a six-day week and performances on the day on which most people have the leisure for entertainment.

Pritt Not To Resign

Labour Party Views

Mr D. N. Pritt, K.C., Labour M.P. for North Hammersmith, asked by the local Labour Party to resign his seat will not do so.

The North Hammersmith Labour Party says that Mr Pritt "now represents neither the party nor the views of the overwhelming majority of the people in the constituency."

"The executive" statement said: "Recently Mr Pritt has come into prominence by his participation in the so-called 'People's Convention' which was inspired by the Communist Party and which lies under the grave suspicion of seeking to exploit wartime discomforts of the people for the purposes of Communism."

Mr Pritt, in a statement said he had no intention of resigning his seat.

HITLER DELIVERS RAVING SPEECH: ATTACKS PREMIER: DISTORTS FACTS

THE FOLLOWING FULL REPORT OF HITLER'S SPEECH DELIVERED TO THE REICHSTAG WAS RECEIVED IN HONGKONG THIS MORNING:

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—After stating the German version of the origin of the war, Hitler said that a few weeks after its outbreak, the Polish State, which had been reckless enough to allow itself to be used for the financial interests of warmongers, was annihilated and destroyed.

"In these circumstances, I considered I should make yet another appeal to common sense and the conscience of those statesmen. On October 6, 1939, I, therefore, once more publicly stated that Germany had neither demanded nor intended from Britain or France, and that it was madness to continue the war.

"Just as the appeal on September 1, 1939, proved vain, this renewed appeal also met with almost indignant rejection. The British warmongers and their Jewish capitalist backers could find no other explanation of this appeal which I made on humanitarian grounds than the assumption of weakness on the part of Germany.

"They declared that on no account must such a peace be made until the German Reich was broken up and the German people so defeated and reduced to such distress that they would queue up beside the field kitchens of their enemies begging for food.

Norway's Part
"At that time, the Norwegian Government was misled by the stubborn insistence of Churchill's prophecies, and had already begun to toy with the idea of a British landing on their soil.

"It was thanks to Churchill's and Reynold's tendencies to gossip that the German Government gained knowledge of the plans being made against the Reich and the German people. There was no doubt that the British design on Norway was the most serious threat to Germany.

"Immediately after the failure of these plans, increased pressure was exerted by British warmongers in Belgium and Holland. The aim was to advance the front of the Rhine, thus threatening to paralyse German iron and steel production centres.

Greatest Battle
"On May 1, 1940, the enemy efforts were broken up in a few days and the stage was set for operations which culminated in the greatest battle of annihilation in the history of the world.

"On July 19, 1940, I convened the German Reichstag and again seized the opportunity of urging the world to make peace. I made it perfectly clear, however, in the light of past experiences, that such hope could only be small."

After attacking "Jewish democratic capitalism," Hitler continued: "European and American war-mongers succeeded once again in bringing the sound common sense of the masses of mankind against the night of bombing of civilian population was interpreted as a sign of German impotence. Again and again I uttered warnings against this specific type of aerial warfare.

Assurances Disregarded
"My assurance that from the given moment every one of Churchill's bombs would be returned if necessary a hundredfold failed to induce a man to consider even for an instant the criminal nature of his actions. Hitler reiterated Germany's determination to retaliate for British raids on Germany if necessary with 100 bombs for every British one dropped until the British nation gets rid of Churchill.

Referring to Mr Churchill's statement to Parliament last Thursday, Hitler declared that it could only be described as "symptomatic of a paralytic disease or the ravings of a drunkard."

Balkan Theatre
"He then accused Mr Churchill of planning to transform the Balkans into a theatre of war as early as the winter of 1939-40. "The sudden collapse we witnessed in May and June last year caused these plans to be temporarily abandoned. By autumn last year, Churchill began to tackle this problem once again. "Meanwhile, however, certain difficulties had arisen as a result of Rumania dropping out of England's political scheme."

Hitler then gave what he described as a "brief outline of Germany's policy in the Balkans" in which he said that the Reich never pursued any territorial or other selfish political interests in the Balkans. On the contrary, the Reich had always endeavoured to build up and strengthen close economic ties with these states. The Reich was only interested in one thing, if indeed there was any question of political interest, namely, in seeing that internally her business partner was established on a sound and healthy basis.

Greece and Rumania
Hitler referred to the British guarantees to Rumania and Greece and said that Rumania had to pay bitterly for the guarantee which was calculated to estrange her from the Axis powers.

Greece, who least of all required this guarantee, was also prepared to give way to British persuasion to link her destiny with that of a country which provided her King with cash and order.

"Even to-day, I feel that I must distinguish between the Greek people and that thin top layer of corrupt leaders who were inspired by a king who was subservient to Britain and had no eye for the duty of true leadership.

"Thus the peace of the Balkans will they allow their lead to be reduced."

Why Reich Kept Contact

Hitler paid tribute to the brave resistance offered by Greek soldiers. With some faint hope of being able to contribute to a solution of this problem, Hitler continued, Germany had not severed relations with Greece. He was, however, in duty bound to point out to the world that "we would not passively allow a slow revival of the old Salonika scheme of the Great War."

His warning, he said, was not taken seriously enough with the result that the British began to establish bases for the formation of a new Salonika army. They began by laying out aerodromes and establishing the necessary ground organisations and finally a continuous stream of transports brought equipment for an army which, according to Mr Churchill's idea, was to be landed in Greece in the course of a few weeks.

Italian Reverses

The reverse suffered by the Italian Army in North Africa, owing to certain material inferiority in their tanks and anti-tank guns, finally led Mr Churchill to believe that the time was ripe to transfer the theatre of war from Libya to Greece, convinced that he could now proceed to carry out the coup which would immediately set the Balkans aflame.

Thus did Churchill commit one of the greatest strategic blunders of this war.

As soon as there could be no further doubt regarding Britain's intention to gain a foothold in the Balkans, Hitler said that he took steps to assemble the necessary forces for the purpose of counter-attacking any possible tricks. This action was not directed against Greece and Mussolini did not even request him to place a single German division at his disposal for the purpose.

Mussolini was convinced, and he was of the same opinion, that with the advent of good weather, the struggle against Greece would be brought to a speedy and successful conclusion.

Why Nazi Troops Were There

"The concentration of German forces, there, was not made for the purpose of assisting the Italians against Greece but as a precautionary measure against a British attempt to strengthen themselves secretly in the Balkans.

Hitler then elaborated upon the efforts he had made to establish friendly relations with Yugoslavia in an endeavour to prevent her becoming involved in a Balkan war.

He praised the practical attitude of Turkey's leaders in preserving her independence and carrying out her own resolution.

After repeating facts in relation to the adherence of Yugoslavia to the Three Power Pact, Hitler said that on March 25, 1941, he left Vienna truly happy because he believed that at the last moment German intervention in the Balkans might become superfluous when "I heard of the coup which caused Churchill to utter his joyous words that at last he had something good to report."

Order To Attack Serbs

"I at once gave orders to attack Yugoslavia because it was impossible for anyone to treat the German Reich this way."

Hitler described in detail the main plan of the campaign against Yugoslavia and Greece in co-operation with the Italian Army after a general agreement had been secured both with Italy and Hungary.

He said that the Greek campaign had cost Germany 75,000 lives which were more than double the losses of the whole western campaign.

The number of Englishmen, New Zealanders and Australians taken prisoner exceeds 9,000 officers and men, he declared, adding that the booty cannot even be approximately estimated at present.

Booty Taken

The share of booty due to the German forces, according to present estimates, amounts to 500,000 rifles, many thousands of machine-guns, anti-aircraft weapons, trench mortars, numerous vehicles and large quantities of ammunition and equipment.

For the operations in the southeast, 31 full and two half divisions were set apart, of which two infantry and Alpine divisions, six tank divisions, three full and two half mechanised divisions of the army and armed S.S. troops took part in the actual fighting.

The losses to the German army and air force as well as S.S. troops in this campaign were the "smallest we have ever suffered so far."

Italy had more than earned any territorial and political influence she had obtained by the very great sacrifices in blood she had made since October last year for the future of the Axis.

Hint To America

Referring presumably to the United States, Hitler continued: "When today the democratic agitators of a country, to which the German people have never done any harm and whose interests the German people intended to do so is nothing but an absurd lie, are threatening to choke a National Socialist people and state which have become irksome to them, by the force of their capitalist system and their material production, then there can only be one answer. The German people will never again experience a year such as 1918 but will rise to still higher achievements in all branches of national resistance."

"They will profess more fanatical loyalty than ever the axiom 'Neither force of arms nor time will ever make us yield, let alone break up.' They will, therefore, maintain superiority of armament and in no circumstances

The Future

"I can only assure you that I look into the future with perfect tranquillity and the greatest confidence. The German Reich and its Allies will present in military, economic and above all, moral respects a force which is superior to any possible combination in the world."

Concluding, Hitler said that looking up to the Almighty who guides human destiny, "Let us be particularly thankful that he has made it possible for us to achieve those great successes. We can only beg him not to forsake our people in the future as well. We will not only survive this war but a thousand years to come."

Matsuoka Makes A Suggestion

U. S. Visit To Japan

TOKYO, May 4 (Reuter).—Discarding suggestions that he should go to the United States, Mr Yosuke Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, in an interview at Kyoto, asserted that it would be far more appropriate for President Roosevelt or Mr Cordell Hull to come to Tokyo to learn about the conditions existing in the Orient.

"I studied in America; I know Americans and I can grasp the real situation now existing in the United States, but I doubt whether President Roosevelt or Mr Hull can grasp the true situation in the Far East."

"I believe that Japanese-American problems could be more easily solved by President Roosevelt or Mr Hull visiting Japan than by my going to the United States," he said.

LONDON'S HOMELESS BUREAU

The Homeless Bureau in Bayley Street, off Bedford Square, London, which started in October with ten addresses, has now collected nearly 100,000.

People are writing from as far away as Canada to inquire about relatives. A rancher who read of heavy bombing in the district where his mother used to live, sought news about her. He got a reply by return, giving her evacuated address in Devon.

The quick reply was made possible by the system of centralisation. As soon as evacuees arrive in a reception area from counties in the South-East, the local authority sends the new address at once to the Homeless Bureau.

The Bureau was started by the London Council for Social Service.

Major Baseball

Detroit Trounce N. Y. Yankees

NEW YORK, May 4 (UP).—Outstanding victory in the Major Baseball League to-day was the 10-1 victory of the Detroit Tigers over the New York Yankees in the American circuit.

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War May Recall Boyish Bob

Thousands of women in Britain who depend on the skill of chemists to keep their golden tresses golden are being "blackened out" by the Government's restrictive orders against luxury articles.

Gallant Role by R.A.F. In Greece Evacuation

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—The great part played by the Royal Air Force in the withdrawal of the Empire force from Greece is told by the Air Ministry news service.

Thousands of men and women, it says, were evacuated by the R.A.F. while British fighters, heavily outnumbered, guarded the continuous stream of ships that went back and forth.

The order for withdrawal set the R.A.F. the biggest task of the campaign, it says. Bombers, flying boats, captured enemy aircraft and British fighters played an outstanding part in getting Empire troops safely away.

All day and all night aircraft of every type—bombers, flying boats, captured enemy aircraft and British fighters played an outstanding part in getting Empire troops safely away.

The R.A.F. has countless stories of gallantry to tell of the evacuation.

Ships Guarded

In addition to thousands of men and women brought away by air, thousands more were guarded as they made the journey in big and little ships.

Personnel of no longer existing British air forces in Greece scored perhaps the greatest triumph of six months of arduous campaigning, and though the R.A.F. suffered heavy losses, the enemy suffered far greater.

Air Bases Lost

When, owing to the enemy breakthrough on the left flank, the Air Commanders decided to withdraw to a new line, the R.A.F. suffered the severest blow of the campaign. They were forced back to two or three bases only and the odd temporary landing grounds they used at the start. All the new aerodromes which had been built were lost or were too close to the enemy lines to be used.

The enemy hammered at the few remaining bases continuously so that it became impossible to obtain replacements of aircraft. Nevertheless, the available planes took off at all times and inflicted great damage on the enemy forces.

Six Months' Campaign

Details of the campaign before Germany invaded Greece show that at the end of six months of arduous fighting against Italy, R.A.F. bombers had carried out more than 300 raids and nearly 300 enemy aircraft were confirmed as destroyed in the air before the huge total of aircraft damaged in the air and on the ground.

Deprived Of Nationality

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, May 4 (UP).—By a decree issued to-day, Marshal Petain has deprived Eve Curie, Henry Bernstein and 27 others of their French citizenship, and confiscated their properties in the first application of the law empowering Marshal Petain to withdraw the nationality of French citizens abroad who by acts, speeches or writings seek to impede Petain's national revolution or pursue a policy liable to harm French nationals.

Veteran Airmen To Train Malaysians

Malayan pilots who gained their certificates in Malayan flying clubs and upon the outbreak of war joined the Royal Air Force in Singapore, are to be sent to a fighter squadron now stationed in Malaya, which is equipped with speedy Brewster Buffalo fighters, to be trained as fighter pilots.

They will be taught by experienced fighter pilots—my young Britishers who not so very long ago were hurling their Spitfires and Hurricanes at hordes of the German Luftwaffe raiding London.

Hongkong's Big Part In Supplying Empire Ships

Hongkong's two big shipbuilding yards are working hand in hand with other shipbuilders in the Empire to supply cargo vessels for the merchant fleet.

Both the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd and the Taikoo Dockyard are building handy cargo carriers up to 5,000 tons. The former last year built not only the hull of a fast modern cargo boat, but also her main propelling engines, the largest marine power unit which has come out of this part of the world.

India, ancient builder of ships, is preparing to launch vessels equal to the best of the West.

Although South Africa has no real shipbuilding industry, Durban's well-equipped repairing yard and dry dock are most valuable to-day when shipping goes round the Cape instead of through Suez.

In the last 18 months, Australia has greatly extended her shipbuilding resources. A new shipyard, employing 2,000 men, is being established at Whyalla, South Australia, to build ships of up to 12,000 tons.

The famous Cockatoo Island yard can build four ships at one time, while Morts Dock, Sydney, can turn out two large and several small vessels simultaneously. Both Port Adelaide and Williamstown, with experience of building ships in the last war, still possess expert labour. The equipment of the Commonwealth to handle the engineering side

Japanese Shipping Hold-Up Labour Shortage

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, May 3 (Domel).—The lengthening of the present maximum working day to 12 hours in view of the shortage of labour and in order to effect a speeding-up of the national shipbuilding industry, was jointly proposed by the Commerce and Welfare Ministries at the Cabinet meeting on Friday.

It is expected that the plan will be adopted after the Government confers with shipbuilding leaders and Navy officials from May 7 to 10, at Tokyo, Nagoya, Osaka and Kukuoka.

Boosting Birthrate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, May 3 (Domel).—For the encouragement of bigger and better families, the Welfare Ministry's Social Insurance Bureau is planning the grant of 20 yen as a bonus for each birth in addition to 30 yen to cover confinement expenses.

Health insurance benefits are vastly increased under the Ministry's plan which boosts the number of those eligible from the present 650,000 to 1,000,000 salary earners by including all earning below Yen 150 instead of the former Yen 100.

Another important feature is the wiping out of time limits for accident and sickness benefits. The new measures consequently will allow payments to continue until full recovery has been made, regardless of the length of time required. The Bureau stated that the Bill will be sent to the Diet following further improvements in its contents.

Soviet Ships For China Seas

CHUNGKING, May 5 (Central News).—Nine Soviet steamers will soon ship articles of daily necessity from Vladivostok to Shanghai, and a Soviet shipping company will also be organized to undertake shipping in the China Sea, including the transportation of rice and coal to Shanghai, says a Shanghai report.

Price of rice, coal and other commodities in the port city is expected to drop considerably, if the Soviet shipping project is realised.

How Teddy Joyce Found Fame

Teddy Joyce, the dance band leader, who collapsed in Glasgow recently after performing with his band, died later.

It was stated that he was suffering from spinal fever.

He was a Canadian, and his real name was Edmund John Cuthbertson. He was originally an eccentric dancer, but in the hands of Louis K. Sidney, to whom he owed his career, jumped into fame as a conductor.

For four years as a young man he earned £275 a week personal salary.

After working in Hollywood he went to England and formed his own orchestra.

Canada's Role

Canada has now more than doubled the 4,000 skilled workers employed before the war in her 40 shipbuilding and repairing establishments. Contracts for 18 merchant vessels, each of 9,300 tons carrying capacity, have just been placed in Quebec, Montreal and Vancouver.

It is expected that in about a year's time the first of them will be sent down the ways.

These ships from the Empire, together with the reservoir of new tonnage in U.S.A., are an important addition, increasing month by month, to the growing expansion of Britain's own war-time fleet of merchantmen.



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MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

After-thoughts Of Badminton Season

New Scoring System Suggested For League

Summer Plans For Improvement

(By "Tinker")

THE TUMULT and the shouting having died, badminton players reflect back proudly on another successful season having concluded. There is no doubt about this. Attendance at the Championships, which in any sport is the criterion, shows a new record in numbers as was mentioned by the President of the Association, Mr S. A. Gray, at the recent prize distribution.

Greatest contributory factor to this, outside the attraction of the game itself, has been the efforts of the Hon. Secretary, Mr M. Talan. The organisation of the League and the Championships has worked without a hitch. The Press may have done its bit, but in dealing with an official of Mr Talan's character, it is always a pleasure to oblige.

As regards the Championships, the Colony has been afforded matches of a standard never before seen here. The nucleus of stars from the University of Hongkong—K. W. Choy, P. K. Hooi, H. F. Chew, M. P. Young, K. B. Low and Miss Ullian Khoo—have mingled with local luminaries—P. H. Wong, C. Au, F. Koh, M. A. Oliveira, H. C. Eardley, Miss M. M. Silva, Miss M. A. Xavier, Miss M. Ribeiro, Mrs Torrible, Mrs Zimmerman and Mrs O. Silva—to create a spectacular whole.

The University have taken every senior title, and not surprisingly they easily won the Senior Divisional championship. The greater interest, perhaps, was wrapped up in the Second Division. Here St John's took the absolute championship when they beat Chung Hwa in the play-off—they being the winners of the "B" and "A" Sections, respectively.

St John's Strength

BUT there's a story behind St John's victory, and it is one which, I think, makes more acceptable a new system of scoring that has been suggested.

St John's were slated to be promoted into the Senior Division for the recently concluded season. But at the annual meeting of the Association they pointed out that of the winning team of 1940 H. C. Eardley most probably would not be available owing to his Naval duties, while Frank Kwok had gone over to Kowloon. They asked, therefore, to be allowed to remain in the Junior Division.

It was decided by vote at that meeting to allow St John's to remain in the Junior Division for five games—and should they win those five games they would be promoted to the First Division.

They won four and lost one playing against some of the weaker teams of the Section. The vote at the subsequent meeting of the Association was in favour of St John's remaining in the Junior Division. As it turned out, Eardley, without making any special efforts, was able to turn out for them in most of their matches, and they, consequently, were carried through on the efforts of their two top pairs only. Their third pair was very weak.

Thus there is the position of two strong pairs being able to win a Divisional Championship on their own.

New Scoring System

THERE is no doubt that these two pairs are worthy of the First Division.

And there is no doubt that next year St John's will be in that Division. But to prevent a similar state of affairs, the following suggestion has been made for scoring:

That the result of a match be decided upon the total number of points obtained by each team.

The strength of any team then would be like that of a chain—that of its weakest link, and if the weakest are unable to collect, say, double figures in points each match, it is not likely that against a better balanced side the stronger players will be able to make up the difference. The more-balanced side, therefore, would have a more even chance of winning.

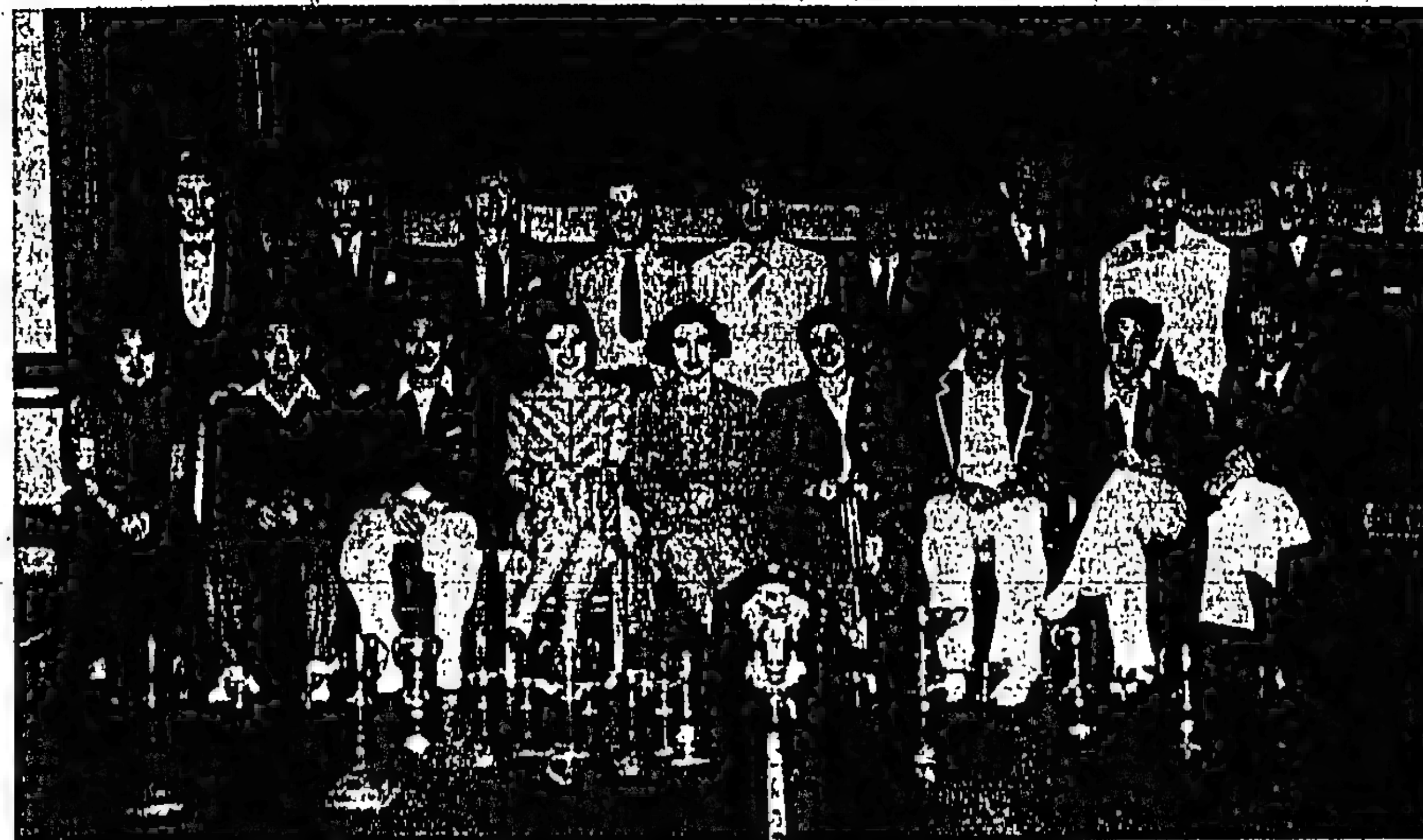
Summer Suggestions

JUNIORS are the mainstay of any game, and in badminton it is hoped that further encouragement will be given to these players. For the summer months, the suggestion is made to all Clubs to hold monthly badminton social evenings.

If it had not been for the Junior Doubles championship this year, there might have been an increase in the Senior Doubles to ten pairs, but what has happened to the remaining 14 pairs that did take part in the Junior competition? They would have been without games, for I doubt if they would have had the courage to enter the senior tournament.

Admittedly, some of the junior players were weak, but their very appearance on the court is encouragement to others to enter. This year, the Colony has been very fortunate in that there are so many new players here, but there are a far greater number of juniors who need encouragement.

These social evenings, at which the courts would be thrown open to all badminton players, would do much towards enticing more of these younger players on to the court, and once the start is made, it will be all for the greater good of Badminton in Hongkong, for it would inevitably lead to a greater number of entries for the Junior competitions next year.



Officials and winners of the Hongkong Badminton Championships.

Standing: Messrs Jack Shepherd, W. C. Choy, A. L. Fisher, P. Wynter-Blyth, P. H. Wong, D. Kwok, D. Hazel, S. A. Gray (President), M. Talan (Hon. Secretary). Seated: Miss U. Khoo, Mr H. F. Chew, Mr P. K. Hooi, Mrs Zimmerman, Mrs Torrible, Mrs Castro, Mr K. W. Choy, Mr K. B. Low, Mr C. J. Tacchi.

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE OFFICIAL OPENING

Recreio Beat Craigengower By Narrow Margin Of One Shot

THE LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE made its official opening on Saturday with a full programme of matches, outstanding feature of which was the defeat of Craigengower, rivals of old, by the Club de Recreio by one shot. Coincidentally, the Valley Second team lost by the same margin to the Prison Officers, newly promoted from the Third Division.

Yesterday a most enjoyable match was played at the Kowloon Cricket Club when the Volunteers Sergeants' Mess beat the home side by eight shots.

The new system of scoring came into operation, but only in the Third Division were any teams able to collect two points. These were the Hongkong F.C. who lost on two rinks to the Kowloon F.C., though the third rink was able to collect a winning margin for the match, and the Club de Recreio who only beat the Hongkong C.C. on one rink but managed to win the match.

Scores in brief were:

FIRST DIVISION			
U.S.C.C. (61)	3½	Kowloon C.C. (63)	1½
Recreio (82)	4	C.C.C. (81)	1
K.B.C.C. (60)	1	Recreio (60)	4
K. Books (32)	1	K.B.C.C. "A" (63)	4
I.R.C. (60)	4	Police (58)	1
SECOND DIVISION			
K.F.C. (64)	4	H.K.F.C. (40)	1
C.C.C. (67)	1	P.O.C. (60)	4
K.C.C. (56)	1½	K. Tong (60)	3½
Recreio (64)	4	H.K.C.C. (53)	1
THIRD DIVISION			
H.K.F.C. (62)	3	K.F.C. (54)	2
Police (43)	4½	I.R.C. (63)	3½
C.C.C. (67)	2	Recreio (60)	3
C.C.C. (56)	1	K.B.C.C. (60)	4

Only one seven was scored, and that by R. Duncan (K.B.C.C.) against Recreio "B" in the First Division.

SPORTS ADVT.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 10th MAY, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27784) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21020).

No Children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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G. N. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1941.

Volunteer Sgts Beat Kowloon C. C.

THE Volunteer Sgts-Kowloon C.C. match was five rinks a side. The home team scored on two losing on the other three, and the final score turned out eight shots in the Sergeants' favour. Totals were Sgts 98, K.C.C. 88.

Scores were:

R. S. Capell, E. C. Curtis, A. J. Kew and J. Fraser (K.C.C.) lost to C.Q.M.S. Casey, Sgt Musket, Sgt Carr and Sgt Sheriff, 17-20.

A. E. Perry, R. T. Burch, F. Goodwin and E. C. Fincher beat Sgt Fowles, Sgt Genie, Sgt Zimmerman and Sgt Meyer, 18-14.

T. R. Hunter, C. W. Jeffries, N. A. E. Mackay and R. S. Meadows lost to C. S. M. Basket, P. M. Mackie, Sgt Steven and E. S. M. Walker, 10-21.

G. Bowden, H. Langley, A. W. Smith and G. C. Labrum lost to S.Q.M.S. Tribble, C.Q.M.S. Leigh, Sgt Lockhart and Sgt Rakusan, 18-22.

A. E. P. Guest, A. H. Martin, W. W. Parsons and T. A. Madar beat Sgt Bopst, Sgt J. D. Remedios, Sgt J. C. Remedios and C.Q.M.S. Silva 19-13.

Favourites Fail In Kentucky Derby

Whirlaway Sets Record

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky, May 3 (UP).—A crowd of 160,000, the largest ever to witness a horse race in North America, saw Mr. Warren Wright's Whirlaway win the Kentucky Derby to-day by eight lengths in the record time of two minutes and two-fifths seconds, which broke the previous best time established in 1931 by two-fifths of a second.

Hidden by the veteran jockey, Eddie Arcaro, who rode Lawrin to his Derby triumph in 1935, Whirlaway was held far back until the final turn, when he outstripped the field.

Dispute was leading until the three-quarter post, where he weakened. Thereupon Whirlaway wore down Porter's Cap and Blue Pair and won handily.

Starcator was second and Markelwise third.

The track was hard and fast. Showers had been forecast.

Fast Track

Porter's Cap, owned by Mr C. S. Howard and the Weale, hope for the first California Derby winner and Our Boots, which was last year's juvenile champion, were the outstanding choices at odds respectively of 2 to 1 and 5 to 2.

Other odds earlier were: Whirlaway 8/1; Dispose 5/1; Robert Morris 10/1; Blue Pair 15/1; Little Bena 20/1; Markelwise 25/1.

In the race, had won the \$50,000 Santa Anita Handicap and holds the fastest work-out time for the mile and quarter. The winner of the race gets about \$50,000.

Hongkong C. C. Mixed Doubles Final To-day

Open Finals On Wednesday And Friday

The finals of the Colony Singles and Doubles Championships, the Club Championships and Club Handicap events will take place this week on the Hongkong Cricket Club courts, weather permitting. The programme is as follows:

To-day
Handicap Mixed Doubles—J. S. Theobald and Mrs Torrible (-15) v. B. O'M. Deane and Miss J. Smalley (-35) (Stand Court).

To-morrow
Club Handicap Singles, semi-final—G. W. Sewell (-40) v. T. J. Gould (-15) (Stand Court).
Club Handicap Doubles, semi-final—C. H. R. Oxide and A. H. Barwell (-15.2) v. R. H. Blake and H. C. D. Knight (-3.9) (8).

Wednesday
Open Singles, final—Tait Wai-pui v. Tait Yan-pui (Stand Court).
Club Handicap Doubles, final—Oxide and Barwell v. Blake and Knight v. T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould (-15.2) (8).

Thursday
Club Championship, final—C. H. R. Oxide v. M. Pagh (holder) (Stand Court).

Friday
Open Doubles, final—S. A. and H. D. Rummah (holders) v. Tait Wai-pui and Tait Yan-pui (Stand Court).

K.C.C. PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

Impromptu Concert

DISTRIBUTION of prizes for the past season took place at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday night. Mrs E. C. Fincher, wife of the Club Captain, presented the winners with their awards.

A good gathering of members indulged in an impromptu concert prior to the prize distribution, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The following was the prize list:

Lawn Bowls

Club Championship—Winner, J. Fraser; Runner-up, A. W. Ramsey.
Handicap Singles—Winner, R. T. Broadbridge; Runner-up, J. Fraser.
Handicap Doubles—Winners, F. Goodwin and R. S. Meadows; Runners-up, G. E. Taylor and J. Hempey.
Roger Lindell Cup—Winner, E. Kern; Runner-up, F. Goodwin.
Tyro Competition—Winner, R. T. Broadbridge; Runner-up, W. W. Parsons.
Jack Hunt Shields—Winners, A. H. Martin, L. Jack and A. W. Ramsey (skip).

Tennis

Senior Championship—Winner A. Crawford; Runner-up, A. E. P. Guest.
Junior Championship—Winner G. M. Gillard; Runner-up, W. A. E. Mackay.
Senior Handicap Singles—Winner, A. E. P. Guest; Runner-up, E. C. Fincher.
Junior Handicap Singles—Winner, R. S. Capell; Runner-up, R. Kios.
Senior Doubles Handicap—Winners, D. J. N. Anderson and Frank Grose; Runners-up, E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett.

Billiards and Snooker

Senior Championship—Winner, J. H. S. Duncan; Runner-up, E. G. Curtis.
Junior Championship—Winner, A. E. Carey; Runner-up, A. H. Martin.
Snooker—Winner, J. H. Luke; Runner-up, A. H. Martin.

Cricket

Batting, 1st XI—E. F. Fincher. Bowling—D. J. N. Anderson.
Batting, 2nd XI—F. J. Lay. Bowling—R. Baldwin.

Polo Club Gymkhana Postponed

Owing to the long spell of wet weather, the Polo Club Gymkhana has been postponed until Saturday, May 24.

CONSTABLE KEPT FINES MONEY

P.C. Albert Childs (36), assistant warrant officer at Bromley (R.M.B.) police court, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment at that court recently for embezzling £41—fines which it was his duty to collect.

Sappers Beat Canadians In First Baseball Game

Forum Nose Out Canucks In Softball's Final "Hate"

THE ROYAL ENGINEERS opened their baseball season with a great victory over the Canadians at Caroline Hill on Saturday, clouting in five runs in the 1st and 3rd frames and holding the Canucks to three singles tallies in the 1st, 2nd and 6th.

Yesterday, 'Softball's final game—the annual classic between the Hongkong English Forum and the Canadian Chinese—resulted in a 3-2 win for the latter, the issue being decided in the last inning only.

Softball's Canadians belted in one in the 3rd and another in the 5th. The Forumers were held blank over these frames, and only in the sixth and final innings did they get moving. Two runs in the sixth and then the winner in the seventh all on passed balls—brought them a win that puts them 3-2 ahead in this annual fight.

Scores in brief were:

BASEBALL	
Canadians:	1 0 0 0 1 0=3
Runs:	1 0 0 1 1 2=5
Errors:	0 0 0 0 0 0=0
Fielding:	3 0 2 0 0 0 x=3
Errors:	1 1 0 0 0 0 x=2

SOFTBALL	
Canucks:	0 0 1 0 1 0=2
Runs:	0 0 1 0 3 0=4
Errors:	0 0 0 0 1 1=3
Fielding:	2 0 0 0 1 2=5

Girls Match

AT STUBBS ROAD, on Saturday, Canton's Truclight College girls swamped Chung Hwa 11-2, proving that the schoolgirls are all set for the League next year. Yvonne Poon clouted in a homer for Chung Hwa, and in reply Margie Woo and Lai Bik-wong connected for non-stop circuit trips. In the final innings of the game, the College girls scored five to clinch the run-around.

Poor Cash Sweep Prizes At Macao

MACAO, May 4.—Results of the cash sweeps in to-day's racing were:

First Race
No. 256 \$318.40
" 35 20.20
" 33 45.50

Unplaced ponies (\$25.00 each): Nos. 147, 103.

Second Race
No. 369 \$284.00
" 24 75.40
" 102 37.70

Unplaced pony (\$20.00): No. 504.

Third Race
No. 129 \$292.10
" 64 83.40
" 102 41.70

Unplaced pony (\$40.00): No. 314.

Fourth Race
No. 387 \$225.70
" 103 64.50
" 118 42.20

Unplaced pony (\$40.00): No. 354.

Fifth Race
No. 04703 \$7,494.98
" 11622 2,161.42
" 102 1070.71

Unplaced ponies (\$100.00 each): Nos. 04142, 01952, 21020, 06409, 10244, 06221, 02430, 15200, 20472, 21100.—Our Own Correspondent.

Home Cricket Makes a Start

LONDON, May 3. Instead of the usual heralding with trumpets, the Cricket season made a modest beginning to-day, with several minor matches.

The London Fire Service, taking a well-earned relaxation, again stole the limelight by opening the season at Lord's against Reading University, who won by seven wickets.—Reuter.

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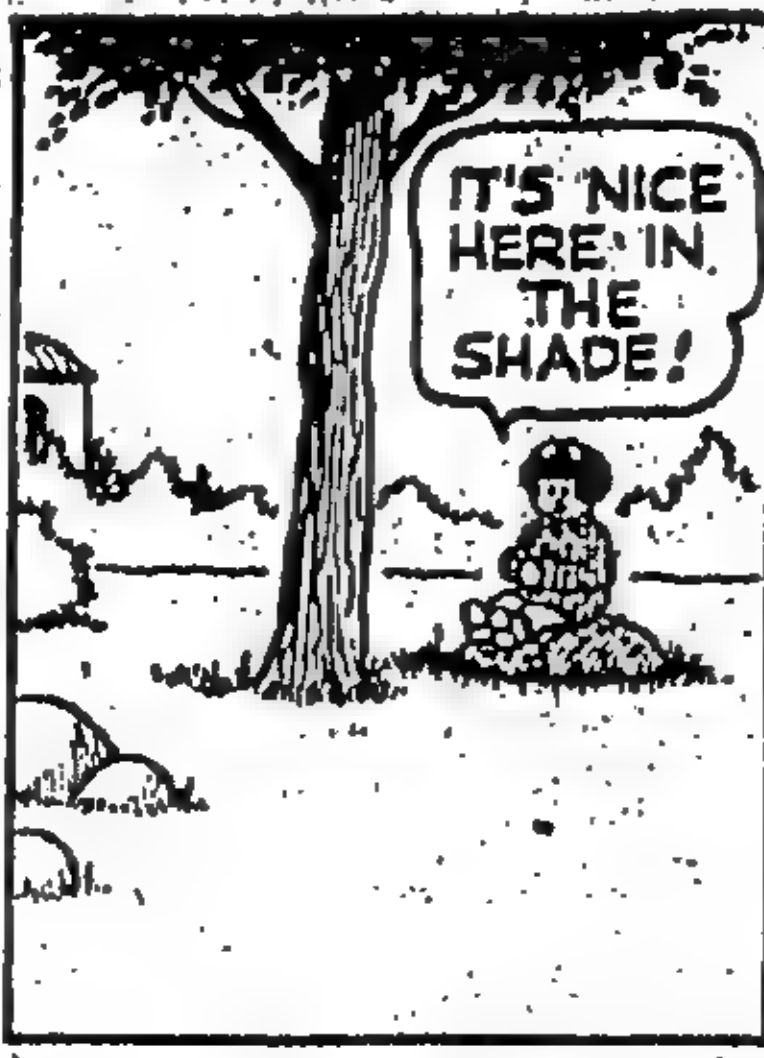
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NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



Nazi Fraus And French Charmers

According to the Berlin correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News," the latest problem which faces the Nazi leaders is to convince the women of Germany that their husbands are not succumbing to the blandishments of the ladies of France.

An article in the current issue of the "Schwarzerkopf" scolds irresponsible gossipers, and offers "relief and comfort to hearts which are unnecessarily tortured."

It says: "No, dear German women, there is nothing in the story of the warrior from the north who succumbs to the charms of the deceiving siren and, like Tannhäuser in the Venusberg mountain, forgets his own home in the process."

German wives, the article adds, "know, of course, that their men would not behave improperly, but the worm gnaws at their hearts, and next time their men come home and do not sleep because the coffee they bring with them is too strong, then it is the charming French women who have appeared to them in their sleep."

No More Ice Cream In Italy

Ice-cream and pastry are to be barred in Italy, and the ration of oil, butter and pork is to be cut to 12 ounces per person monthly, half the previous allowance.

Rome Radio's comment was meant as a comfort to the Italians for their loss.

"Letters of complaint have reached me about the misuse of foodstuffs, especially of butter and fats," said the commentator. "Cannot we do without pastry? The letters ask. Certain pastry shops are the centres of attraction for the scabs of the feudal aristocracy and feudal intellectuals, and places where defeatist stories are spread. So say the letters."

Palates Hit

"I feel like answering: Just you wait a little my good people, and you will see that the Government will meet your demands. The logical consequences of the restrictive use of fats has come, and pastries and ice-cream are forbidden. The palates of some people will be hit and also their special brand of irresponsibility."

"Conversations between people who manifest pessimism in all but in their appetites will be reduced. It has become impossible now for certain degenerates to satisfy their caprices."

Juan Ready For Throne Of Spain

Prince Juan, heir-designate to the non-existent Spanish Throne, has declared formally his readiness to return to Spain as King when the day of restoration comes, reports Associated Press, from Rome, quoting Spanish royalist sources.

When the royalists met recently the Prince pledged himself to uphold the principles of his father, the late Alfonso XIII.

The Prince was reported to have told the royalists the day of restoration "may not be far off."

Sure Ways To Get Rid Of A Wife

FORT WORTH, Texas, May 2 (UP)—Dr. A. L. Porterfield, who conducts a class on marriage and family life at Texas Christian University, lists the following "sure" ways to get rid of a wife:

1. Learn to flick cigarette ashes on the floor with maximum damage to the rug.
2. Never have fewer than four rusty razor blades scattered on the bathroom floor.
3. Go home late for dinner at least three times a week.



RUINS OF A MANCHESTER CHURCH. This was one of the many non-military objectives bombed by the Germans during their recent blitz on the city.

Italians In U.S. Form Anti-Mussolini Party

A GROUP of Italians in the United States is now making what appears to be a serious effort to form a Free Italy body on the lines of the Free French organisation of General de Gaulle.

This movement would have two objectives: 1. Establishment in the U. S. of an anti-Fascist Italian Government which would be headed by Count Carlo Sforza, formerly Foreign Minister in Italy, and who was Italian Ambassador to France when Mussolini came to power. Count Sforza is now lecturer at Virginia University.

Secret War Training For New York Police

By PIERRE VILLERE

United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, May 2 (UP)—A special emergency squad of 300 picked members of the New York police has been secretly trained in all phases of civilian protection against modern warfare, but what their new duties will be is a deep, dark secret.

War experts have agreed that even if this country enters the war, there is little likelihood that New York City will be bombed. For that reason, the men themselves are speculating on whether they might not be sent away from the city.

One belief was that the emergency squad might train others here and then go to England to take up the places of civilian defenders, thus releasing able-bodied men for the British Army.

Six Weeks' Training

The men were trained for six weeks, and after their course was completed, they were returned quietly to their normal posts. Every precaution was taken to prevent details of their training from becoming known.

Only men especially skilled in various trades and crafts were chosen. They were given a rigid physical examination, and sent for routine training to the School for the Soldier on Randall's Island.

They were taught the methods of coping with emergencies due to building collapses, such as might be caused by bombings.

They learned the use of the swinging belt—a belt attached to a roof from which a man can drop to various window levels or swing to other buildings. They were taught, first aid. They became expert in methods of maintaining order and

2. The creation of an officers' corps which would be sent to Libya to organize a revolutionary army among captured troops in preparation for invasion of Italy. This force, it is proposed, would train in Canada.

Fought in Spain

Some of the group, which is at present attempting to start a Free Italy movement, hope it may be possible to get Randolph P. Fiedler, who commanded the Garibaldi Brigade, which fought on the side of the Republican forces in Spain, to lead the projected officers' corps.

Professor Max Ascoli, of the New School for Social Research in New York, one of the leading anti-Fascist Italian-Americans in this city, was anxious to stress the fact that the movement is so far in a preliminary stage.

He would not say what the British reaction was, but in another quarter it was said the British authorities have indicated tentatively that they may be willing to give encouragement and perhaps definite backing to such a movement.

Eccentric Barber's New Coiffure

ERIE, Pennsylvania, May 2 (UP)—The question of what constitutes a haircut was taken under legal advisement here recently.

A certain eccentric barber, addicted to drinking while at work, ran his clippers across the top of a woman customer's head from original coiffure of his own creation.

The customer complained to police who sent a detective to investigate. The officer returned to headquarters with an egg.

"That barber had my hair off before I could raise a finger," he said.

HE GOT 2,000 FT. LIFT

Gunner James Griffiths had one of the greatest adventures of the war recently.

It involved an unexpected trip of 2,000 feet above the earth.

And it was all due to a misunderstanding.

When a barrage balloon began to ascend at a Western town, Gunner Griffiths thought it had broken from its moorings.

Hoping to retard its rising—actually it was going aloft normally—he gripped a guide-rope.

This he twisted round his waist and legs. He gripped another rope with his teeth.

Crew Horrified

The horrified crew saw him ascend to 2,000 feet before they could check the balloon.

Then, as people gasped, they lowered it to the ground. Gunner Griffiths was quite safe, thank you.

DEFICIENT DIET WILL KILL MORE THAN FIGHTING

PITTSBURGH, May 2 (UP).

The present European food blockade may claim a far greater toll of life than actual fighting, according to Dr. Charles C. Higgins, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Diet deficiencies, caused by lack of vitally essential foodstuffs, will be responsible for havoc among the European people in the present war, according to the nutrition expert.

Research after the Great War, according to Dr. Higgins, "showed an increase in kidney stones due to diet deficiencies."

It also showed that German children born during the war were on an average shorter than children who lived under circumstances where all dietary items were plentiful.

Dane Hit A Nazi, Gets 4 Years

A Copenhagen court has sentenced four Danes to long terms of imprisonment for attacking German soldiers.

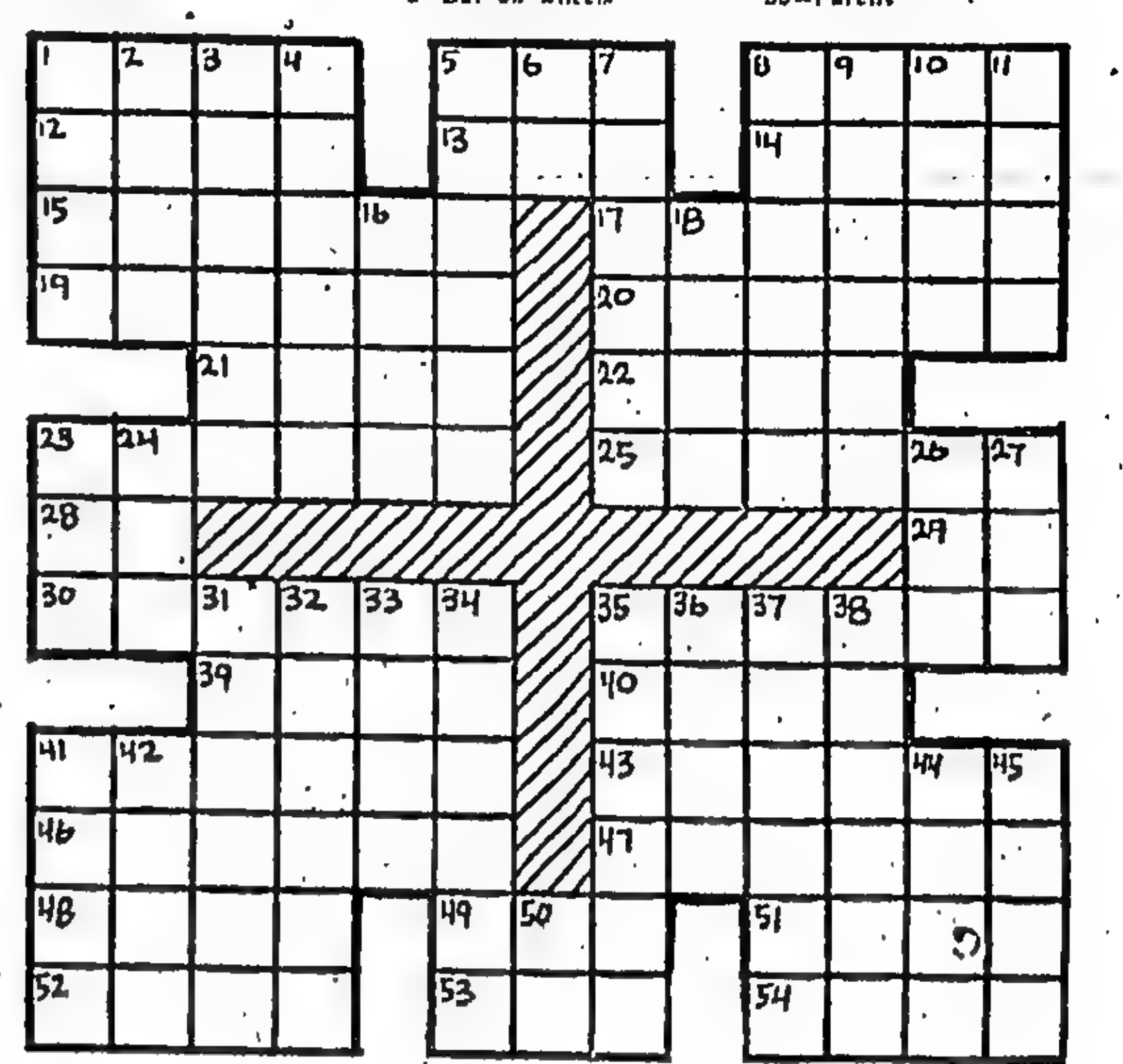
One Dane was sentenced to four years for felling a German with an empty whisky bottle.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

- ACROSS
- 1—Girl
 - 2—Everyone
 - 3—Dandies
 - 4—Way out
 - 5—See (Clutch)
 - 6—District
 - 7—Nearly
 - 8—Pertaining to Spring
 - 9—Nudge again
 - 10—Vandalism
 - 11—On grand scale
 - 12—Disastrous
 - 13—Fusion measure of length
 - 14—Drainpipes
 - 15—King of Shepherds
 - 16—Exclamation
 - 17—Made of sheep's fleece
 - 18—Milk food
 - 19—Annoy
 - 20—Perilous roll
 - 21—Ship by
 - 22—Cuts over
 - 23—Therefore
 - 24—Part of meter
 - 25—Printer's units
 - 26—Look amorously
 - 27—Observed
- DOWN
- 1—Rhymes with king
 - 2—Bar on wheels
 - 3—Bully smile
 - 4—Bends down
 - 5—Mexican Indians
 - 6—Switch article
 - 7—Crowbars
 - 8—Give birth to
 - 9—Over-decorated
 - 10—Hanson's hammer
 - 11—Sodium chloride
 - 12—Short sleep
 - 13—Large lake
 - 14—Sweat
 - 15—Haggard
 - 16—Abrasive title
 - 17—Novel by H. Rider Haggard
 - 18—Fruit
 - 19—Late English
 - 20—Zachman
 - 21—Otherwise
 - 22—Required
 - 23—Loutish
 - 24—Aspire
 - 25—City in Pennsylvania
 - 26—Come out
 - 27—Sheep
 - 28—Knowledge
 - 29—Web-like membrane
 - 30—Let it stand
 - 31—Parrot



EMPEROR'S GIRL SOLDIER

Marches To Fight Italians

With the Emperor Haile Selassie's expeditionary force which has marched into Abyssinia is one woman. She is Miss Banichygu Kidani, a 23-year-old nurse, who was once condemned to death by the Italians.

She disguised herself as a boy to join the expedition.

"I appealed to the Emperor to allow me to accompany his troops as a hospital nurse," she said, "but he refused on the ground that the journey would be too severe for a woman."

"So I cut off my hair, disguised myself as a soldier, and marched until one day the Emperor recognized me and, since it was too late to send me back, allowed me to remain."

Miss Kidani's father, a colonel in the Emperor's army, was hanged by the Italians in the market-place at Addis Ababa 10 months ago.

Put Amongst Lepers

Captured in the Abyssinian war, Miss Kidani was imprisoned in Addis Ababa by the Italians, who ordered her execution. With the aid of an American missionary, she got some medicine which made her so violently ill that the Italian authorities, believing her to be suffering from an infectious and fatal disease, put her in the Abyssinian leper colony.

A Swedish doctor helped her to escape and, after many adventures, she reached a Sudanese outpost. In 1939 she returned to Abyssinia to join the rebels.

Returning to the Sudan, she worked as a nurse until the Emperor's arrival at Khartoum from England.

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MURDER CHARGE REDUCED

Two soldiers mounting a Bren gun post were talking to a girl at a window of a house overlooking the post. Suddenly two shots were fired, and the girl fell. She died soon afterwards.

At Aldershot Police-court Charles Thomas Christie, 21, a Canadian, was charged with murdering Margaret Catherine Wheaton, 27, a servant, of Gun-nislake, Cornwall.

Mr. E. G. Robey, prosecuting, said Christie admitted firing the shots.

Private William Alfred Rutherford, who was on duty at the gun post before Christie took over, said he left the safety catch of the gun at the automatic control position.

Manlaughter
Major Forbes Benson West said Christie had received instruction in the use of a Bren-gun, but had only mounted one about two days before the incident.

The Bench found there was no case to answer on a charge of murder, but Christie was committed to Hampshire Assizes on a manslaughter charge.

Half Of Iraqi Air Force Destroyed

FROM PAGE ONE

at Habbaniyah, it was revealed here to-day. That "sanctuary" was promptly violated by the Iraq forces surrounding the station.

Imperial troops now in Iraq, despite overt provocation by Iraqi troops, are occupying only certain points essential to the fulfilment of the Anglo-Iraq Treaty terms, it is stated here.

Oil Concession Ban
VICHY, May 4 (Reuters).—Rashid Ali has ordered work on the Iraq Petroleum Company's concession to be suspended according to a Baghdad dispatch received here.

It is reported that certain refineries are to continue work for the benefit of Rashid Ali's troops.

Meeting in Trans-Jordan
CAIRO, May 4 (Reuters).—It is understood that the developments in Iraq were given consideration at a luncheon given yesterday by Emir Abdullah of Trans-Jordan in honour of H.R.H. Emir Abdul Ilah, ex-Regent of Iraq, his nephew, says a despatch from Amman.

Several former Iraq Ministers and leaders as well as Arab leaders from Palestine and Trans-Jordan also attended the luncheon.

Turkey's Position
ANKARA, May 4 (Reuters).—Sir Hugh Knibbs, British Ambassador, the British Ambassador, saw M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, to-day when doubtless following the usual practice, the Ambassador informed M. Sarajoglu of all the latest developments in the Iraqi situation.

The Turks appear to have the fullest understanding and sympathy with Britain's attitude and deplore Rashid Ali's action which was inspired by the Axis.

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LEGION CHIEF ABROAD—Milo Warner, national commander of the American Legion, meets Wilfred the Duck, RAF mascot, and his canine friend, at an unnamed British air field. Mr Warner was studying civilian defence.

Old Wives' Tales Threaten Japan's National Structure

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, May 4 (Domei).—The age old belief, that Japanese women born in the year of the Tiger in the Chinese zodiac, make bad wives and that certain days are unlucky for travel according to the Lunar calendar and the like, are to be blasted by a "de-superstitioning" drive pointedly organised by the Home and Welfare Ministries and the National Service Association.

The Lunar calendar and the Chinese zodiac have long been banished from Japanese homes. However, their long use in the past gave rise to sundry superstitions which persist partially in rural regions.

Deciding that these are obsessions of present day Japan, the authorities will launch a campaign immediately and attempt to debunk them. The Home Ministry is expediting the compilation of a calendar suited to farmers which will be published into this year.

The Welfare Ministry will attempt to explode the superstitions related to architecture such as having the kitchen in the northeast corner of the house brings bad luck, and other such fears that loquat and persimmon trees in the garden cause sickness.

Chinese To Encourage Gliding

The China Glider Club's plans for 1941 include the construction of 100 gliders, a series of demonstration flights, establishment of branch clubs in Chengtu, Kunming, Kweilin and Lanchow, publication of a magazine on gliding and translation of books and articles on the subject into Chinese.

The club will begin a membership drive in the near future.

On the Chungking commercial airfield recently, a large crowd gathered to watch the inauguration ceremony and first officially sponsored demonstration. Manned by veteran glider pilots who have been experimenting with sailplanes and other advanced motorless craft for several years, two monoplane sailplanes with enclosed cockpits flew noiselessly over the interested crowd.

LATE NEWS

WAVELL FAMILY —Everyone Now In The War

The whole Wavell family is in this war. Here is one day's programme.

Gen. Archie himself conferred with chiefs of his staff, and that is all there is for publication.

Lady Wavell, his wife, attended meetings to provide comforts for the wounded now coming in.

Son Archie is serving in his father's regiment, the Black Watch. Daughter Pamela did her normal spell of duty with the V.A.D.

Felicity and Joan, the younger daughters, went to their work as secretaries at G.H.Q.

Benefit to Troops
Most of Lady Wavell's time, apart from running their big, flower-gardened house is taken up with troops' welfare. For social life she runs Sunday afternoon parties and goes to dances (provided the dances have some object of benefit to the troops).

Pamela and Felicity use their spare time learning to fly.

Life Of Penn On Film

William Penn, the great Quaker, is the subject of the latest film biography, "Penn of Pennsylvania."

The picture is being made by British National at Elstree with Clifford Evans as Penn and Deborah Kerr as his romantic first love.

The whole thing is linked up by producer Richard Vernon with President Roosevelt's inaugural address over the radio. Then the picture goes back to seventeenth-century London.

There, at the beginning, we are to see a Quaker, member of a persecuted new sect, being ducked in a barrel of beer by public house revellers. In a room above, with the diarist Pepys, is William Penn, the young soldier.

A.A. Surprise For Hitler

Paul Tierney, war editor of the "New York Post," who recently returned from England, writes that he learned from a reliable source that one of many surprises the British are holding back for Hitler is a terrific anti-aircraft defence barrage.

It consists of enormous groupings of guns, which have not yet been fired, because the British do not wish to betray their location.

"If Hitler carries out his boast to fill the air with warplanes, his losses will be terrific," writes Tierney.

"I also learned that aerial photography has shown that the invasion ports nearest to Britain are now virtually useless to Germany, as a result of incessant bombardings by the R.A.F."

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Minister Flew Bombers Over Enemy Territory

A few hours after the death of Lord Lloyd, Colonial Secretary, it was revealed that until he became a Minister in May he had been making regular flights over Germany in R.A.F. bombers.

Lord Horder and six other doctors who attended him during his brief illness have had difficulty in ascertaining the precise cause of death.

When he took to bed he showed symptoms similar to those of German measles.

"Years ago," one who was closely associated with him said, "when Lord Lloyd was in the East with Lawrence of Arabia, he contracted some form of poisoning from an obscure germ. It is possible that his flights aggravated this old trouble."

Lord Lloyd was a fully qualified flier, both as pilot and observer. During his flights over Germany he was the only Cabinet Minister to have been shot down.

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Hitler Changing His Mind About War's End

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, May 4 (UP).—Despite Hitler's glorification of the German victories in the Balkans, the first outstanding impression of his speech was the intimation that he expects the war to continue until at least 1942, which is believed to be implied in the threat that German soldiers will possess better weapons next year than this year. The remark is contrasted here with the repeatedly reported utterances of Nazi leaders that they will finish the war this year. Another passage in Hitler's speech which is arousing interest in London was his amicable allusion to Turkey. It is recalled that the Turks and Germans were Allies in the last war and while Yugoslavia turned against the Axis, Turkey reserved her independence. With von Papen, the Nazi Ambassador to Turkey, due shortly at Ankara presumably with plans to win over the Turks, this part of the speech seems to prepare the ground for an attempt to smash the Anglo-Turkish alliance and make Turkey subservient to the Axis schemes. The impression is prevailing here regarding Hitler's statement on German casualties in the Balkans that he obtained amazingly quick and slick statistical results which appeared to London commentators to be a phoney underestimate. It is also suggested that Hitler is deducting from 30 to 50 per cent. from the total German forces actually engaged in the campaign which, it is said here, included at least three armoured and two mountain divisions in addition to the motorised S.S. and considerable infantry.

U.S. Reaction
WASHINGTON, May 4 (UP).—High United States officials listened to Hitler's Reichstag speech but, as usual, declined to comment except privately to express the opinion that it would not modify the United States policy to any degree. Officials generally believed that Hitler's address was an attempt to impress the American public both in North and South America and also in the Dominions with the futility of further opposition. Official sources predicted that Hitler would soon discover his error in **TURN TO BACK PAGE, COLUMN 3**

Submarine Pursues British Ship
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SANTIAGO DE CUBA, May 4 (UP).—The Government radio station reported it had intercepted a message from the British steamer Liconn about 8 o'clock last night, which revealed that the Liconn had sent a message saying that a German submarine was pursuing her in approximately 84.54 West, 21.41 North which would place the vessel about 350 miles northeast of San Juan P.R.

Roosevelt Says U.S. Ready To Fight For Democracy

STAUNTON, Virginia, May 4 (Reuter).—Speaking at the dedication of President Woodrow Wilson's birthplace as a national shrine, President Roosevelt declared that the American people had fought before and were "ever ready to fight again" for the existence of "democracy in the world." The President said that Wilson taught that democracy could not survive in isolation. "We applaud his judgment and his faith." Declaring the Manse, where Wilson was born, "a new shrine of freedom," President Roosevelt said that by the act of dedication, "we are bearing witness to the faith that is in us, a simple faith in the freedom of democracy in the world. It is the kind of faith for which we have fought before and for the existence of which we are ever ready to fight again." **Triumphant End** President Roosevelt expressed his faith that democracy would emerge triumphant from "the tragic conflict which the world witnesses to-day." "All recorded history bears witness that the human race has made true advancement only as it has approved human values. Those unhappy peoples who placed their sole reliance on the sword have inevitably perished by the sword in the end. Physical strength can never permanently withstand the impact of spiritual force." Lord and Lady Halifax, Mr. and Mrs. Cordell Hull and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson were among the large gathering who applauded strongly when President Roosevelt notified the world that the United States was "ever ready to fight again." Further cheers greeted the President's declaration that those relying on the sword would perish by it. The remainder of President Roosevelt's speech was devoted to an eulogy of Woodrow Wilson as a statesman who tried to bring nearer the day of "emancipation of conscience from power and the substitution of freedom in the government of the world."

HALF OF IRAQI AIR FORCE DESTROYED IN FIERCE R.A.F. RAIDS

CAIRO, MAY 4 (REUTER).—HALF THE IRAQI AIR FORCE HAS BEEN DESTROYED OR PUT OUT OF ACTION, ACCORDING TO A SPECIAL R.A.F. COMMUNIQUE ISSUED HERE TO-NIGHT. IT STATES: "BOMBER AIRCRAFT OF THE R.A.F. CARRIED OUT ANOTHER HEAVY ATTACK ON THE IRAQI AERODROME AT MOASCAR RASCHID TO-DAY. SEVERE DAMAGE WAS CAUSED TO THE AERODROME BUILDINGS AND WORKSHOPS AND AT LEAST 22 IRAQI AIRCRAFT WERE PUT OUT OF ACTION."

LIVERPOOL HAS BAD BLITZ

Hospital, Churches And Schools Hit
Special to the "Telegraph"

LIVERPOOL, May 4 (UP).—A pall of smoke today overhung a whole street of houses and shops which were blasted and burned during last night's savage dusk-to-dawn moonlight blitz, while amid the broken masonry and tumbled bricks rescue squads poked around for trapped persons for whom all hope has been abandoned. Trucks stacked with food and mobile canteens which rolled into town at dawn, while firemen were still hosing the smouldering ruins, fed hundreds of homeless. It was the third consecutive night that Merseyside has been raided with each raid being worse than the previous night. Last night's raid was the heaviest since the December blitz when 1,000 were killed or injured.

Raids On N. African Coastline

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Appeal By Deposed Regent

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—His Royal Highness Emir Abdul Illah has issued a proclamation in Palestine calling on Iraqis to rise against Rashid Ali and asserting that Rashid Ali and other ill-disposed persons bought by foreign gold have by force "thrust me from my sacred duties as the guardian of my nephew, your beloved young King."

Appeal By Deposed Regent

Abdul Illah declares: "Under their evil sway, the noble land of Iraq has been poisoned by falsehood and lies and brought from the blessings of peace to the horrors of a venomous war."

Appeal By Deposed Regent

"My duty is plain. I am returning to restore the tarnished honour of my native land and lead it back to peaceful prosperity under a lawfully constituted government. I call upon all true sons of Iraq to drive out this band of traitors and restore to our beloved country true liberty and independence. Recall your sons and brothers from this war brought upon your hands by lies and intrigues of foreigners thinking only of their selfish interests. 'Soldiers! Go peacefully to your stations and there peacefully await my restoration of an independent Iraqi constitutional government. 'Long Live King Faisal III'."

Appeal By Deposed Regent

Arab National League
LONDON, May 4 (British Wireless).—The following statement has been made by de Faud, I Shatar, President of the Arab National League, in the U.S.A.: "We greatly sympathise with all efforts to attain legitimate Iraqi aspirations by peaceful means. Eng. TURN TO BACK PAGE, COLUMN 3"

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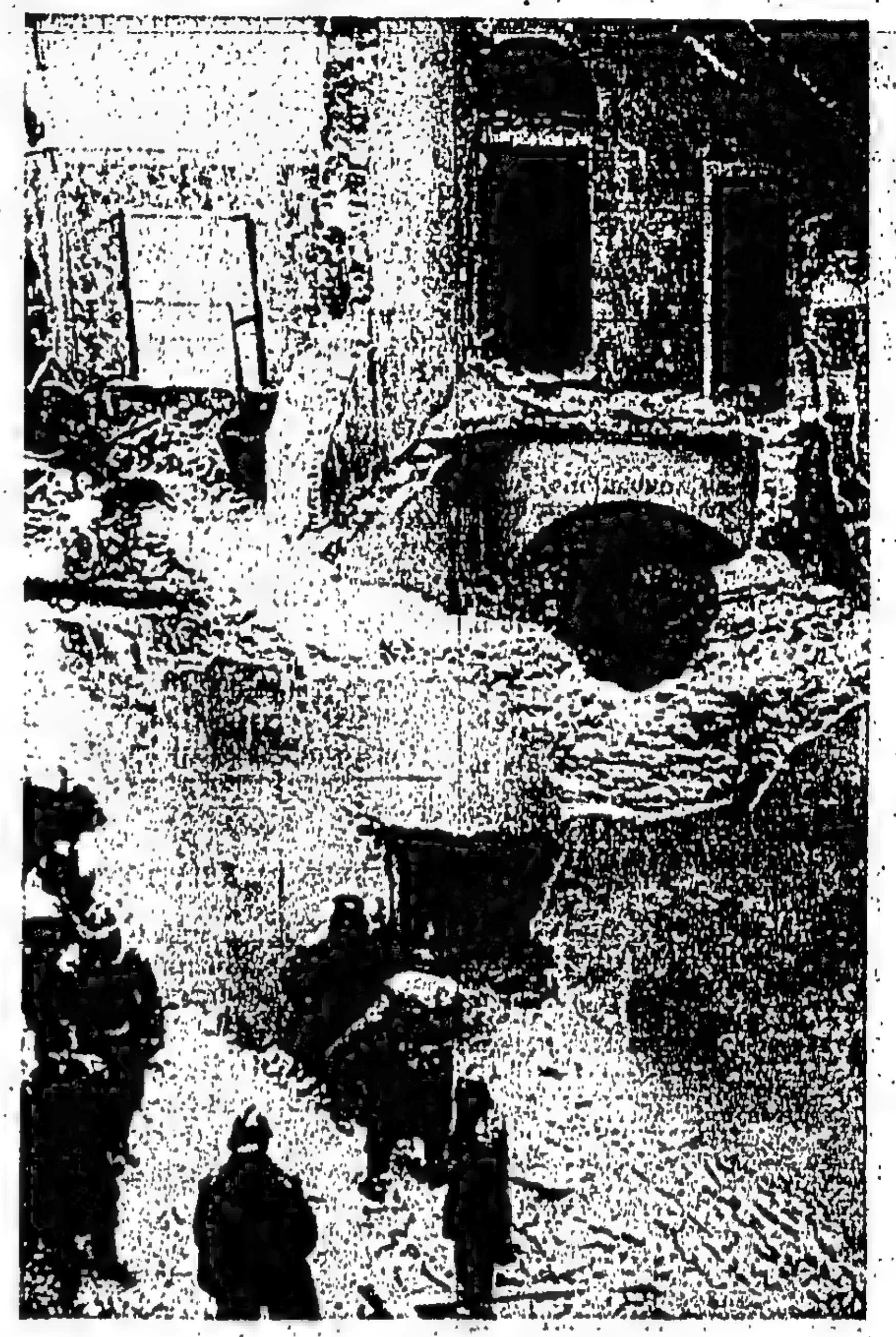
False Sanctuary
SIMLA, May 4 (Reuter).—When tension in Iraq became acute, Rashid Ali offered facilities to the British Minister for the removal of British women and children from Baghdad to the shelter of the R.A.F. station. TURN TO BACK PAGE, COLUMN 3

Appeal By Deposed Regent

Time Editor In Hongkong
Mr Henry Luce, editor of "Time," and his wife Clara Booth, prominent American playwright and authoress, are now in Hongkong, and are staying at the Peninsula Hotel.

After R.A.F. Visit to Milan

This was one of the effects of a recent raid by the Royal Air Force on Milan. Italian firemen are seen at work on a wrecked building. Milan was not the only town to feel the power of the British bombers. Other towns in northern Italy were visited at the same time.



NEAR RIOT AT GOVT HOUSE

Night Soil Coolies In Mass Demonstration

A near-riot marked the demonstration by 2,000 night soil coolies outside Government House this morning. After their ringleaders had appealed to the crowd to disperse, one man refused to budge and started to argue. When an order was made for his arrest, dozens of women surged forward and attempted to attack the police.

£2,000 Cheque For Bombers

A cheque for \$32,066.81, being the equivalent of £2,000, was handed to the Government of Hongkong this morning for telegraphic transfer to the British Government. This represents the twenty-second instalment sent to London from the "South China Morning Post" and "Hongkong Telegraph" War Fund for the purchase of bombers. The total remitted now amounts to £116,889-19-6, the dollar total to date amounting to \$1,876,074.80.

More Details About Rice Monopoly Plan

The rice monopoly scheme, which comes into operation on June 1, will follow the general lines of the scheme at present functioning in Singapore, the Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, told the "Telegraph" this morning. Government's position will be that of importer as well as wholesaler, and rice will be sold direct by Government to retailers in the Colony. It is pointed out that if the authorities are able to secure supplies of rice cheaply, the benefit will be passed on to the consumer. Retail prices will be determined by the Government and retailers will not be allowed to sell above these rates. A statement in the monopoly system will be made at the meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday, said the Colonial Secretary. During the past few days, rice retailers in Hongkong have been limiting their sales to such individual customers to no more than one dollar's worth daily. The quantity procurable for the money varies between 4½ cabbages and five cabbages. Retailers state that their own supplies are low, and precautions have been taken to counteract hoarding by those who are in a position to purchase large quantities.

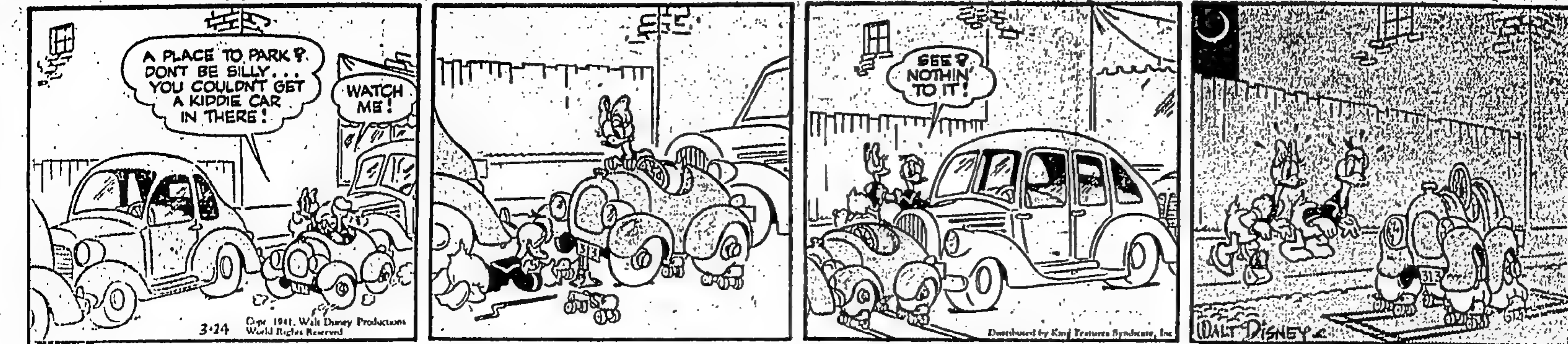
Enemy Held At Tobruk

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CAIRO, May 4 (UP).—According to today's General Headquarters communique, the enemy attack on the outer defences at Tobruk were "definitely brought to a standstill yesterday afternoon." "In the Sollum area, mechanised forces again carried out a successful raid inflicting casualties and capturing prisoners." "In Abyssinia, another important sector has been captured by our troops who are advancing on Amhara. In the southern districts the operations are continuing."

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,320 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	71 n.
Chartered	80 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	22 1/2 n.
Mercantile C.	11 1/4 n.
East Asia	70 b.
INSURANCE	
Cantons	222 1/2 n.
Union	420 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	187 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglas	128 n.
Steamships	8 1/2 n.
Indo-China	80 b.
Indo-China D.	60 n.
Shell (Bearers)	40 7/16 n.
Waterbous	6.55 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	85 1/2 n.
Docks	15 n.
Providents	4.50 b.
Shui Dockyards	25 1/2 n.
MINING	
Kallan s/-	12/6 n.
Rubis	8 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 n.
LANDS	
Hotels	2.80 b. & n.
Lands	31 n.
Lands 4 1/2 Debentures	0 1/2 n.
Shui Lands Sh.	12 1/2 n.
Humphreys	0.70 n.
H.K. Rentals	2.00 n.
Chinese Estates	99 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	10 s.
Peak Trams (old)	1 1/4 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	5 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries	23 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	6 n.
China Lights (new)	1 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (old)	24 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	23 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric Rts	13 1/2 n.
Macao Electric	17 n.
Sandakan Lights	12 n.
Telephones (old)	23 s.
Telephones (new)	9 1/4 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald: Macg. (Ord.)	30 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.)	25 n.
Canton Ices	1 n.
Cements	15 n.
H.K. Ropes	6.00 s.
STORES	
Dairy Farms	17 1/4 n.
Watsons	0 1/2 n.
Lane Crawford	7 1/2 n.
Sinceres	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	30 n.
Powell Ltd.	1 1/2 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	38 n.
Shui Cotton	20 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Govt 4%	97 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934)	94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940)	94 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.Bds.	282 n.
Entertainments	0 1/2 b.
Constructions (old)	180 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	7.20 n.
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Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/-	1/20 n.

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Life Of Penn On Film

William Penn, the great Quaker, is the subject of the latest film biography, "Penn of Pennsylvania."

The picture is being made by British National at Elstree with Clifford Evans as Penn and Deborah Kerr as his romantic first love. The whole thing is linked up by producer Richard Vernon with President Roosevelt's inaugural address over the radio. Then the picture goes back to, seventeenth-century London.

There, at the beginning, we are to see a Quaker, member of a persecuted sect, being ducked in a barrel of beer by public-house revellers. In a room above, with the diarist Pepys, is William Penn, the young soldier.

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12.30 Dance Music.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Variety with Dorothy Dickson, Curtis and Ames and George Formby.

Vocal—The Window Cleaner (Cliff and others), The Lancashire Trencher (Cliff and others), George Formby and his Ukulele with Orchestra; Vocal Duets—You Can't Pull the Wool over my Eyes (Ager and others), Cheer Up (Mayer), Curtis and Ames with Piano; Vocal—Crest of the Wave (Hessell and Ivor Novello), I'll Only Know, Dorothy Dickson (Soprano), Why Isn't It You, Dorothy Dickson and Walter Crisman; Comedian—George Formby Medley—Intro: Sitting on the Ice, Do de oh Doh, Chinese Laundry Blues, Madame Moscovitch, My Ukulele, Fanlight Fanny, George Formby with his Ukulele and Orchestra; Vocal—Accent on Youth (film "Accent on Youth"), Curtis and Ames with Piano.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Dvorak—Quartet in A Flat Major, Op. 105. Prague String Quartet.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 p.m. Indian Programme.

9.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

9.32 Mendelssohn—Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64. Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and the State Opera Orchestra.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 Eileen Joyce (Piano) and Pau Casals (Cello).

(a) Si oiseau j'étais, a toi je volerais (Bird study) (Henselt); (b) Rocco (concert study) (Palmgren); La Danse d'Ouf (Riccardo Pick-Mangialilli); Eileen Joyce (Piano); Apres un Reve (Faure); A Village Song (Popper); Pau Casals (Cello) with Piano; Trois Danses Fantastiques (Shostakovich); Scherzo Op. 16 No. 2 (D'Albert); Eileen Joyce (Piano); Andante (Bach); Aria from suite in D (Bach); Pau Casals (Cello) with Piano.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 This week's programmes.

8.05 Emil Kozs and his Orchestra, Serenade from "Frasquita" (Lehar), Valentina (Wright-Dunn), Moorish March (Mohr).

8.15 London Relay—"H. Gals."

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Charlie Kunz at the Piano and the Mills Brothers.

Vocal—Sleepy Head (film "Operetta 13"), Put on your Old Grey Bonnet (Murphy and Wenrich), The Mills Brothers; Piano—Kunz Revivals No. 2; Intro: I Never Re-ecallied; Birth of the Blues; Pink Elephants; Rose in the Bud; Speak to me of Love; Someday I'll find You, Charlie Kunz; Vocal—Star Dust (Carmichael and others), The Mills Brothers; Piano—Kunz Revivals No. 3; Intro: Poor Butterfly; After You've Gone; Whispering; Alice Blue Gown; Just a Little Love, a Little Kiss; The Chocolate Soldier Waltz, Charlie Kunz; Vocal—Funiculi Funicula (Denza), Asleep in the Deep (Folke, Lamb), The Mills Brothers.

9.45-10.00 News in French (on Short Wave Only).

9.45 Concert Waltzes.

Farmyard Waltz (Folk Tune), Springtime Waltz (Composer Unknown), Continental Novelty Orchestra; When the Lemons Bloom (Johann Strauss), Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra; Souvenir Fleur (Composer Unknown), Nullo Rorant and his Orchestra.

10.00 London Relay—"News from Home" by Howard Marshall.

10.15 New Dance Music with Variety.

Fox-Trot—Oh! Look at me now, You might have belonged to another, Tommy Dorsey and his Orchestra; Vocal—A Little Old Church in England (Irving Berlin), Barry Wood (Baritone) with Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Along the Santa Fe Trail (from the film), Swing and Sway with Sammy Kaye; Vocal and Piano—Sweet Little Sweetheart (McIntire and Aligier), Warner Lanyon; Fox-Trot—Sunset at Son, That's My Way of Saying I Love You; Swing and Sway with Sammy Kaye.

11.0 Close down.

BOMBERS SINK ENEMY SHIPS

Skilful Action By R.A.F.

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 4 (UP).—Describing Saturday's daylight attacks on shipping in the Straits of Dover by the R.A.F., the Air Ministry states that off Gravesend, which is situated between Dunkirk and Calais, bombers attacked a 2,000-ton ship which was being accompanied by two smaller ships of about 500 tons each.

"After several direct hits had been scored, the larger ship settled down by the stern with clouds of smoke and steam rising from it.

"One of the smaller ships was also hit and was left with her bows awash. Both vessels are claimed to be total losses."

Another formation of bombers, escorted by fighters, attacked ships off Boulogne. They were under heavy gunfire from the shore batteries as well as from the ships, but while fighters were coming up from the French coast, they attacked, set on fire and probably sunk a supply ship of 5,000 tons.

Bombing of Brest

LONDON, May 4 (Reuters).—"Owing to the recent bombing raids on Brest," where the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau are lying, Admiral Darlan, according to a Paris dispatch to the official German news agency, has decided that all workers in Brest harbour who are heads of families shall receive an additional allowance of 300 francs a month.

Attack on Convoy

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuters).—An R.A.F. communiqué reports that R.A.F. bombers on May 2 attacked a convoy of enemy merchant ships, escorted by destroyers, in the Mediterranean. Direct hits were made on the destroyers and three merchant ships of 12,000, 8,000 and 4,000 tons respectively.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued on Saturday:

Buyers
Providents \$4.00
Tram \$16
Entertainment \$6.50
Hotels \$2.80

Sellers
Ropes \$7
Sales
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan \$4.50
Docks \$15

Two Nazis Brought Down Over Malta

MALTA, May 4 (Reuters).—Two separate waves of enemy aircraft heavily raided Malta on Saturday night.

Bombs were dropped indiscriminately, damaging civilian and government property.

Two German bombers were brought down for certain and a third was damaged.

A few people were killed and a few were seriously injured.

Boosting Sales Of Aid China Bonds

Subscriptions to the N.C. \$1,200,000 Military Supply Bonds, recently floated by the Chinese Government in Chungking, have now reached over \$100,000,000, according to Mr Huang Yen-pai, secretary-general of the Wartime Bonds Committee, who arrived in Hongkong from Chungking by plane to push the sale of the bonds here.

Mr Huang will discuss measures for boosting the sale of the bonds here with Sir Shouson Chow.

Old Wives' Tales Threaten Japan's National Structure

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, May 4 (Doméi).—The age old belief, that Japanese women born in the year of the Tiger in the Chinese zodiac, make bad wives and that certain days are unlucky for travel according to the Lunar calendar and the like, are to be blasted by a "do-superstitioning" drive pointedly organised by the Home and Welfare Ministries and the National Service Association.

The Lunar calendar and the Chinese zodiac have long been banished from Japanese homes. However, their long use in the past gave rise to sundry superstitions which persist partially in rural regions.

Deciding that these are obstructions of present day Japan, the authorities will launch a campaign immediately and attempt to debunk them. The

Alleged Plan To Sell Girl Frustrated

A 16-year-old yarn spinner and Chau Choi, 44, barber, Chau Yee, 47, married woman, and Yau Kiu, 41, widow, were charged before Mr D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning with taking part in a transaction to transfer the possession, custody or control of Wong Chu, a 7-year-old girl, for a valuable consideration, at Kowloon City, on April 27.

Inspector G. W. Moreton said that the small girl came to Sha Ko Ling Village from Chinese Territory eight months ago. Third Defendant was the principal tenant of the hut where the small girl lived. Second Defendant was a friend of third Defendant. On April 27 second Defendant paid third Defendant a visit in the latter's house and told him that a friend of his wished to purchase a girl to be a daughter-in-law. First Defendant overheard the conversation and offered to second Defendant his sister for a sum of \$13.

Second Defendant agreed to the proposal and the next day, in a tea-house the money was handed to first Defendant. Third Defendant received \$3 for commission. Acting on information the Police arrested first three Defendants.

Fourth Defendant who was the one who wanted to buy the girl, was arrested in Shaikok on information given by first Defendant.

Further hearing was adjourned to May 7 at 11.45 a.m. First Defendant is on bail of \$25.

RIFLES STOLEN FROM POLICE STATION

Cheng Hon-mul, 18, unemployed, was charged before Mr H. G. Sheldon, k.c., at Central Magistrate's Court this morning with larceny of two .303 rifles and a typewriter. One of the rifles was stolen from the Central Police Station and the other from No. 7 Police Station. The typewriter was stolen from Central Station.

Cheng was convicted and sentenced to ten months' hard labour.

A plea of not guilty entered by four other men arrested in connection with the case, was accepted and they were discharged. The four men were Tang Chi, 23, street cooler, Cheng Shap-sam, 32, broker, Kwok Chi, 34, shop clerk and Lam Wing-kwan, 22, carpenter.

Concealed in Mat

Det. Sgt. T. Cashman said that on April 24 a Chinese detective on duty at Ke Shing Street, saw one of the discharged men with a rolled-up mat under his arm. The detective searched the man and found a rifle under the mat.

Two days later, Cheng was arrested in connection with the theft of the typewriter and admitted stealing the rifles. Cheng said he hid one of the rifles under the staircase of a house in Connaught Road West, and the other he hid at No. 15 Ke Shing Street.

It was said that Defendant entered the Police Station on the pretext of being a Police Informer. Only one of the rifles was recovered.

A.A. Surprise For Hitler

Paul Tierney, war editor of the "New York Post," who recently returned from England, writes that he learned from a reliable source that one of many surprises the British are holding back for Hitler is a terrific anti-aircraft defence barrage.

It consists of enormous groupings of guns, which have not yet been fired, because the British do not wish to betray their location. "If Hitler carries out his boast to all the air with warplanes, his losses will be terrific," writes Tierney. "I also learned that aerial photography has shown that the invasion ports nearest to Britain are now virtually useless to Germany, as a result of incessant poundings by the R.A.F."

Franco-Thailand Peace Signing

BANGKOK, May 5 (Reuters).—With the signing of the peace treaty between France and Thailand expected some time this week, the Premier, Mr. Songgram, has dissolved the Thai High Command which was formed on November 13 last year following the outbreak of the border hostilities.

AMERICAN VICE-CONSUL
Mr John S. Service who is on the way to Chungking to take up an appointment there as American Vice-Consul, is in the Colony. He is remaining here for a short while.

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Reg. May 6, 4 p.m.

Ord. May 9, 4.30 p.m.

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Reg. May 13, 5 p.m.

Ord. May 13, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. May 13, 5 p.m.

Ord. May 13, 7 p.m.

Britain's Plant In U.S. Working

Great Britain's new smokeless powder plant in Memphis (Tennessee) is now in production.

The Tennessee Powder Co., a du Pont affiliate that built and is operating the plant under contract with the British Purchasing Commission, said "production rate is being increased as rapidly as possible and should approach normal in a short time."

It was said 2,000 employees are engaged in actual manufacture of powder. Construction on various units of the \$20,000,000 plant is still in progress but will be complete in about two months.

THANKS TO NAVY

When Field-Marshal Lord Milne gave a luncheon at the Savoy in honour of members of the American Legion in London, grace was said by Mr J. J. Jordan, High Commissioner for New Zealand.

These were his words: "For what we are about to eat, thank you to God and the British Fleet."

Rome Not Yet Bombed—But

Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Air Minister, informed Mr R. Sorensen (Lab., West Leyton) at question time in the House of Commons recently, that Rome had not at any time been attacked by the R.A.F. But there were objectives of military importance that would justify such an attack.

Mr Sorensen then asked if the close proximity of the Vatican City to Rome had any bearing on the avoidance of such an attack.

Sir Archibald Sinclair: I cannot be expected to discuss this question in the House.

Cruelty To Frogs

Chinese Skinned Two Alive
For cruelty to animals by skinning two live frogs at Shanghai Street near Hamilton Street on May 4, Au Kiu, 50, unemployed, was fined \$50 in default seven days' hard labour by Mr H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

It was stated that Defendant was seen by a Police

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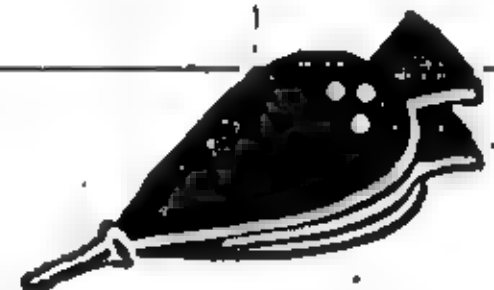


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- W stands for WELCOME—here's luck to good Fellows.
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A POISONED GENERATION

THOSE well-meaning persons who seem to be more anxious about the kind of peace that will follow the war than about winning the war, should consider more seriously than they do the character of the Germany that will have to be dealt with when the war is over. The people of the Kaiser's Reich were difficult to negotiate with and more difficult still to pin down to any engagement. The present generation will be of an even more untrustworthy character and more determined than any preceding generation to assert the fantastic claims of German superiority over all races and nations.

Hitler is held up to the German people, and especially to German youth, as a deity. If he himself believes that, he is a man of disordered brain. If he does not, he is a blasphemous scoundrel. But whatever he be or is believed to be, the effect is the same upon the youth of Germany. For years their only mental and moral food has been that dished up by teachers who are sworn to teach nothing but Hitler and him glorified. What can be expected of children instructed by teachers, who are bound by this oath?

"Adolf Hitler, we swear that we will train the youth of Germany that they grow up in your ideology, for your aims and purposes, in the direction set by your will. This is pledged to you by the whole German system of education, from the primary school through to the university."

It is said that forty years must elapse before a system of education can be justly judged. That is, one must wait to see what manner of man that system has produced in a people who are free to think as they will. Under the Nazi tyranny, however, no such freedom is enjoyed, and by mass production a type of human being is turned out which is developed only on one side, without any corrective or restraint to a pursuit which can bring nothing but conflict and misery to the world.

THE EPIC OF THE
"51st"

By G. E. LEY SMITH

When Hitler started his blitzkrieg, the gigantic wheeling movement of his armies through Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg pivoted on the position held by the 51st Division at the north end of the Maginot Line proper.

In the midst of the fighting around Remelme the Gordons were unaware that the Nazis had been sweeping across the Low Countries.

Only when they had left the "Maginot" and had assembled in a big wood near Metzervisse with other units of the 51st Division did they receive an inkling of the desperate situation that had arisen.

By this time, the Nazi "Panzer" divisions had driven their way through the Ardennes and broken the French line at Sedan.

With the Highland Division every man had duck or chicken and one of the shells, which fell close to him. Undaunted by the fate of their N.C.O., the three men charged towards the haystack. Before they could reach it, however, the German gunners bolted, leaving their machine-gun behind them.

But the Dunkirk evacuation had started. Plans were changed. The Division was ordered to another front.

During the last days of May, when other Gordon battalions were fighting animals, such as rabbits in around Dunkirk before em-hutches and dogs chained to barking the Highland Division kennels were starving. The France to the Somme to As the dogs hovered around the camp looking for scraps of food, the men adopted them as pets and gave them what tasty morsels they had over from their feast of fowl. Unofficially, the dogs were admitted to the strength, and when the march was resumed next morning the battalion was followed by scores of dogs.

The weather had broken. In torrential rain, the officers and men bivouacked in a wood, taking what shelter they could under the trees. From there, they marched sixty miles in three nights. By day they slept in woods, interrupted their enjoyment of the meal. They were being sniped from a machine-gun post which the Germans had cunningly concealed in a haystack nearby. It was becoming so troublesome the German infantry had that it had to be tackled immediately. The civilian population had left behind them sent forward with three men stalled in almost every bush

Of all the units in the British Army, the 51st is the most feared by the Nazis. The awesome reputation of the kilted Highland regiments which form it was strengthened in German hearts by the men who fought so brilliantly and gallantly at St Valery last year.

The epic part played by the Gordon Highlanders in the Battle of France is told here in the living impressions of the men who suffered and survived in that sombre drama of men against metal.

This instalment tells how the Gordons were moved from the Maginot Line to the Estuary of the Somme to stem the tide of retreat in June, 1940.

2. Zero Hour Strikes
On The Somme

hundreds of cows and all to silence the gun. The chance small party had evidently of a rich feast was not been seen advancing to the allowed to slip. Foraging attack, and a German trench parties were organised and mortar opened fire. Corporal Shepherd was killed by one of the shells, which fell close to him. Undaunted by the fate of their N.C.O., the three men charged towards the haystack. Before they could reach it, however, the German gunners bolted, leaving their machine-gun behind them.

On June 2 the Gordons were moved into position at the Grand Bois, which lies about twelve kilometres from Abbeville, in front of the village of Cahou.

Fierce fighting had been going on all along the Somme. Efforts by the French to drive the Germans back had had little success. Now the 51st Division had been given an eighteen-mile front on the river, from Erondelle to the sea.

As a German offensive across the Somme was imminent, an attack was decided upon for the morning of June 4. The Gordons were given the task of clearing le Grand Bois and advancing to another wood beyond.

To appreciate the difficulty of this operation, a description of the Grand Bois is necessary. It is a wood of unusual density. So thick is the undergrowth that it is impossible to see more than a dozen feet ahead.

German machine-gun posts had been dug on the outskirts. Inside the wood the German infantry had become so troublesome the German infantry had that it had to be tackled immediately. The civilian population had left behind them sent forward with three men stalled in almost every bush

Geography Up To Date

SOMEONE remarked to me the other day, "What a lot of geography the child of to-day is learning! Even a week or two of news bulletins and papers should teach him more than we ever knew. This generation should be better informed than the last."

I agreed. Then I began to wonder. We seem to have both learnt and forgotten such a lot since September of 1939. As each country came into the limelight, its names became as familiar as our own. But if we learnt readily, we have forgotten nearly as readily.

Do you remember, when Poland was attacked, how we pored over maps and talked of places we did not know how to pronounce and had never heard of before? But now—how many towns in Poland could you name offhand and could you place them accurately on the map? Finland meant a lot, too. But now Helsinki is the only name that leaps to my mind, and we had all advanced yet further. What was Hungary? The first important place they were captured when they stemmed things!

Then came Norway, and for the Italian advance and rolled it weeks we talked knowingly of back? At present Libyan geography that all-important railway. No, is to the fore, and I fancy that I am not going to name them most of us are more confident for you. Do it yourself—if you about the whereabouts of Benghazi and Tobruk—even of Derna and Bardia. But can we go further back than that with perhaps their names stick better, not stopping to think?

It is shocking how quickly we forget. The other day I came across a bundle of old maps, cut out of papers at the time, and how strange they looked! Yet I remember half agreeing with a friend who said scornfully, "But do you need those to make you remember where the places are?"

At the time I felt I could have drawn those maps from memory. But now I could not. Is this a disgraceful confession? I do not know. Didn't Sherlock Holmes, that prince of detectives, refuse to waste grey matter on such irrelevant details as the fact that the earth moves as the fact that the sun? So why should I waste energy trying to remember the exact whereabouts of the "K.A.R." know just that they were it is, and that is the main captured when they stemmed things!

and covered all the paths through the wood, which is about three-quarters of a mile deep.

On one side of the wood, to the left of the Gordons was a clump of trees, which was believed to be free of the enemy.

Round the wood, the undulating countryside was covered with long corn and hedgerows, proving admirable cover while the battalion waited for zero hour.

Two companies, "B" and "C," were to make the attack, with "D" Company following through to allow "B" to move out to the left of the wood when the objectives had been taken. "A" Company was to remain in reserve.

On the right of the Gordons, the Black Watch were also to attack, but the Sea-forts on the left were ordered to maintain their positions and keep up a screening fire.

In a light rain which fell on the night of June 3 patrols went out to reconnoitre the ground. They reported that machine-guns were posted on the fringe of the wood.

Waiting for their first big-scale attack, the men of "B" and "C" Companies lay among the long corn and behind hedges slightly to the right of the wood. Guns rumbled in the distance. Machine-guns occasionally stuttered. A ground mist was lifting just before the first light of dawn started to penetrate the edge of the Bois.

TO-MORROW:

Germans Routed At
Bayonet Point

SUNDAY
THEATRE
HAILED

"The greatest step forward in the history of the theatre since Cromwell," was how Mr John Gielgud, the actor, described the decision to allow Sunday opening of theatres in Britain.

This new step, announced by the Home Secretary, Mr. H. Morrison, in the House of Commons, enables a licensing authority to permit Sunday opening of theatres and music halls in districts where there are troops or a large number of munition workers.

With the exception of plays produced by special societies there have been no theatre performances on Sundays for 160 years, since the Sunday Observance Act of 1781.

On Equal Footing

The new regulation puts the theatre on a footing with the films and other forms of entertainment at a time when it is in need of all the assistance it can get.

Mr Gielgud said that the new decision would enable managements to embark with assurance on new productions, giving employment to actors.

Mr Bronson Albery, who controls the New Theatre, Wyndham's and the Cottesloe, said he had no doubt that Sunday opening was now a foregone conclusion in the West End and the suburbs.

"Generally speaking, I should say that most theatres will decide to close on Mondays, but possibly in some cases Fridays will be fixed," Mr Albery added.

Actress and actresses welcome the new regulation as it provides for a six-day week and performances on the day on which most people have the leisure for entertainment.

Pritt Not To
Resign

Labour Party Views

Mr D. N. Pritt, K.C., Labour M.P. for North Hammersmith, asked by the local Labour Party to resign his seat will not do so.

The North Hammersmith Labour Party says that Mr Pritt "now represents neither the party nor the views of the overwhelming majority of the people in the constituency."

The executive statement said: "Recently Mr Pritt has come into prominence by his participation in the so-called 'People's Convention' which was inspired by the Communist Party and which lies under the grave suspicion of seeking to exploit wartime discontent of the people for the purpose of Communist ends."

Mr Pritt, in a statement said he had no intention of resigning his seat.

HITLER DELIVERS RAVING SPEECH: ATTACKS PREMIER: DISTORTS FACTS

THE FOLLOWING FULL REPORT OF HITLER'S SPEECH DELIVERED TO THE REICHSTAG WAS RECEIVED IN HONGKONG THIS MORNING:

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—After stating the German version of the origin of the war, Hitler said that a few weeks after its outbreak, the Polish State, which had been reckless enough to allow itself to be used for the financial interests of warmongers, was annihilated and destroyed.

"In these circumstances, I considered I should make yet another appeal to common sense and the conscience of those statesmen. On October 6, 1939, I, therefore, once more publicly stated that Germany had neither demanded nor intended to demand anything either from Britain or France, and that it was madness to continue the war.

"Just as the appeal on September 1, 1939, proved vain, this renewed appeal also met with almost indignant rejection. The British warmongers and their Jewish capitalist backers could find no other explanation of this appeal which I made on humanitarian grounds, than the assumption of weakness on the part of Germany.

"They declared that on no account must such a peace be made until the German Reich was broken up and the German people so defeated and reduced to such distress that they would queue up beside the field kitchens of their enemies begging for food.

Norway's Past
 "At that time, the Norwegian Government was misled by the stubborn insistence of Churchill's prophecies, and had already begun to toy with the idea of a British landing on their soil.

"It was thanks to Churchill's and Reynaud's tendencies to gossip that the German Government gained knowledge of the plans being made against the Reich and the German people. There was no doubt that the British design on Norway was the most serious threat to Germany.

"Immediately after the failure of these plans, increased pressure was exerted by British warmongers on Belgium and Holland. The aim was to advance the front to the Rhine, thus threatening to paralyse German iron and steel production centres.

Greatest Battle
 "On May 1, 1940, the enemy efforts were broken up in a few days and the stage was set for operations which culminated in the greatest battle of annihilation in the history of the world.

"On July 10, 1940, I convened the German Reichstag and again seized the opportunity of urging the world to make peace. I made it perfectly clear, however, in the light of past experiences, that such hope could only be small.

"After attacking Jewish democratic capitalism," Hitler continued, "European and American war-mongers succeeded once again in befogging the sound commonsense of the masses. Even my warning against the night bombing of civilian population was interpreted as a sign of German impotence. Again and again I uttered warnings against this specific type of aerial warfare.

Assurances Disregarded
 "My assurance that from the given moment every one of Churchill's bombs would be returned if necessary a hundredfold failed to induce this man to consider even for an instant the criminal nature of his actions."

Hitler reiterated Germany's determination to retaliate for British raids on Germany if necessary with 100 bombs for every British one dropped until the British nation gets rid of Churchill.

Referring to Mr. Churchill's statement to Parliament last Thursday, Hitler declared that it could only be described as "symptomatic of a paralytic disease or the ravings of a drunkard."

Balkan Theatre
 He then accused Mr. Churchill of planning to transform the Balkans into a theatre of war as early as the winter of 1939-40. "The sudden collapse we witnessed in May and June last year caused these plans to be temporarily abandoned. By autumn last year, Churchill began to tackle this problem once again.

"Meantime, however, certain difficulties had arisen as a result of Rumania dropping out of England's political scheme."

Hitler then gave what he described as a "brief outline of Germany's policy in the Balkans" in which he said that the Reich never pushed any territorial or other selfish political interests in the Balkans. On the contrary, the Reich had always endeavoured to build up and strengthen close economic ties with these states.

The Reich was only interested in one thing, if indeed there was any question of political interest, namely, in seeing that internally her business partner was established on a sound and healthy basis.

Greece and Rumania
 Hitler referred to the British guarantees to Rumania and Greece and said that Rumania had to pay bitterly for the guarantee which was calculated to estrange her from the Axis powers.

Greece, who least of all required this guarantee, was also prepared to give way to British persuasion to link her destiny with that of a country which provided her King with cash and orders.

"Even to-day, I feel that I must distinguish between the Greek people and that thin top layer of corrupt leaders who were inspired by a king who was subservient to Britain and had no eye for the duty of true leadership."

"Thus the peace of the Balkans was broken."

Why Reich Kept Contact
 Hitler paid tribute to the brave resistance offered by Greek soldiers. With some faint hope of being able to contribute to a solution of the problem, Hitler continued, Germany had not severed relations with Greece. It was, however, in duty bound to point out to the world that "we would not passively allow a slow revival of the old Salonika scheme of the Great War."

His warning, he said, was not taken seriously enough with the result that the British began to establish bases for the formation of a new Salonika army. They began by laying out aerodromes and establishing the necessary ground organisations and finally a continuous stream of transports brought equipment for an army which, according to Mr. Churchill's idea, was to be landed in Greece in the course of a few weeks.

Italian Reverses

The reverse suffered by the Italian Army in North Africa, owing to certain material inferiority in their tanks and anti-tank guns, finally led Mr. Churchill to believe that the time was ripe to transfer the theatre of war from Libya to Greece, convinced that he could now proceed to carry out the coup which would immediately set the Balkans aflame.

Thus did Churchill commit one of the greatest strategic blunders of this war.

As soon as there could be no further doubt regarding Britain's intention to gain a foothold in the Balkans, Hitler said that he took steps to assemble the necessary forces for the purpose of counter-attacking any possible tricks. This action was not directed against Greece and Mussolini did not even request him to place a single German division at his disposal for the purpose.

Mussolini was convinced, and he was of the same opinion, that with the advent of good weather, the struggle against Greece would be brought to a speedy and successful conclusion.

Why Nazi Troops Were There

The concentration of German forces, there, was not made for the purpose of assisting the Italians against Greece but as a precautionary measure against a British attempt to strengthen themselves secretly in the Balkans.

He then elaborated upon the efforts he had made to establish friendly relations with Yugoslavia in an endeavour to prevent her becoming involved in a Balkan war.

He praised the practical attitude of Turkey's leaders in preserving her independence and carrying out her own resolution.

After repeating facts in relation to the adherence of Yugoslavia to the Three Power Pact, Hitler said that on March 25, 1941, he left Vienna truly happy because he believed that at the last moment German intervention in the Balkans might become superfluous when "I heard of the coup which caused Churchill to utter his joyous words that at last he had something good to report."

Order To Attack Serbs

"I at once gave orders to attack Yugoslavia because it was impossible for anyone to treat the German Reich this way."

Hitler described in detail the main plan of the campaign against Yugoslavia and Greece in co-operation with the Italian Army after a general agreement had been secured both with Italy and Hungary.

He said that Mr. Churchill had alleged that the Greek campaign had cost Germany 75,000 lives which were more than double the losses of the whole western campaign.

Booty Taken

The share of booty due to the German forces, according to present estimates, amounts to 500,000 rifles, many thousands of machine-guns, anti-aircraft weapons, trench mortars, numerous vehicles and large quantities of ammunition and equipment.

"For the operations in the southeast, 31 full and two half divisions were set apart, of which two infantry and Alpine divisions, six tank divisions, three full and two half mechanised divisions of the army and armed troops took part in the actual fighting."

The losses to the German army and air force as well as S.S. troops in this campaign were the "smallest we have ever suffered so far."

Italy had more than earned any territorial and political influence she had obtained by the very great sacrifices in blood she had made since October last year for the future of the Axis.

Hint To America

Referring presumably to the United States, Hitler continued: "When to-day the democratic agitators of a country, to which the German people have never done any harm and whose statement that the German people intended to do so is nothing but an absurdity, are threatening to choke the National Socialist people and state which have become irksome to them, by the force of their capitalist system and their material production, then there can only be one answer. The German people will never again experience a year such as 1918 but will rise to still higher achievements in all branches of national production."

"They will profess more fanatical loyalty to the axis. Neither force of arms nor time will ever make us yield, let alone break up. They will, therefore, maintain superiority of armament and in the end, they will be broken."

will they allow, their lead to be reduced.

The Future

"I can only assure you that I look into the future with perfect tranquillity and the greatest confidence. The German Reich and its Allies will present in military, economic and above all, moral respects a force which is superior to any possible combination in the world."

Concluding, Hitler said that looking up to the Almighty who guides human destiny, "Let us be particularly thankful that he has made it possible for us to achieve those great successes. We can only beg him not to forsake our people in the future as well. We will not only survive this war but a thousand years to come."

Matsuoka Makes A Suggestion

U. S. Visit To Japan

TOKYO, May 4 (Reuter).—Discarding suggestions that he should go to the United States, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, in an interview at Kyoto, asserted that it would be far more appropriate for President Roosevelt or Mr. Cordell Hull to come to Tokyo to learn about the conditions existing in the Orient.

"I studied in America; I know America and I can grasp the real situation now existing in the United States; but I doubt whether President Roosevelt or Mr. Hull can grasp the true situation in the Far East."

"I believe that Japanese-American problems could be more easily solved by President Roosevelt or Mr. Hull visiting Japan than by my going to the United States," he said.

Police Insp. Honoured Dinner Last Night

Inspector Noor Mohammed was the guest of honour at a dinner party given by his fellow-countrymen last night at the Special Guards Quarters, Wyndham Street.

Mr. Abbas Khan, Hon. Commissioner of the Police Reserves, presided over a gathering of about 300 guests and recalled the Inspector's brilliant career in the Police Guards in which, by diligent and faithful service, he had risen from the humblest position to that of Inspector.

Mr. Abbas Khan recalled that Inspector Mohammed was a ship-guard on the S.S. Sut An when she was pirated in 1922. During the piracy he showed great courage and in appreciation of his work he was raised to the rank of Sergeant-Major. Later he was promoted to Sub-Inspector and now to Inspector.

In conclusion, Mr. Abbas Khan asked all those present to follow Inspector Mohammed's example and serve their government with loyalty and faithfulness.

Prayers For Victory

The Muslim priest, H. S. M. Noor Shah, conducted a prayer for the success of British arms in the present war.

Other present were Mr. Feroz Ali, A.S.P. (R), Subedar Major Mohammed Shah, Subedar Mohammed Ali, Mr. Rahmat Khan, Chief Warder, Acting S.I. Lal Khan, Messrs. H. M. Shah, K. B. Sheikh, Imam Din, Channan Singh, Abdul Aziz, Jahan Dad, Mr. Abdullah, Miamatullah and Nazir Ahmed.

Axis Eyes On Palestine

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, May 4 (UP).—In an editorial in the "Voce d'Italia" to-day, Signor Gayda, commenting on the British situation in the Mediterranean following the Greek defeat, hints that the Axis may attack Palestine as well as resume the offensive in Egypt.

He asserted that the Italian forces in Ethiopia are planning the reconquest of lost territory the moment the British slacken the pressure. He also alleged that the hostilities in Iraq are obliging England to send considerable forces there.

MENZIES GOES TO OTTAWA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 4 (UP).—Local Australian circles to-day said that Mr. Menzies the Australian Premier has gone to Ottawa from New York to see Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, and other Canadian leaders.

He will then proceed to Washington for three days during which time he will visit President Roosevelt and then proceed to the Pacific coast and homeward.

Writer-Politician Dies

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Ramsay Muir, one of the most prominent members of the Liberal Party and a noted writer on historical, municipal and economic subjects, died to-day aged 80.

Gallant Role by R.A.F. In Greece Evacuation

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—The great part played by the Royal Air Force in the withdrawal of the Empire force from Greece is told by the Air Ministry news service.

Thousands of men and women, it says, were evacuated by the R.A.F. while British fighters, heavily outnumbered, guarded the continuous stream of ships that went back and forth.

The order for withdrawal set the R.A.F. the biggest task of the campaign, it says. Bombers, flying boats, captured enemy aircraft and British fighters played an outstanding part in getting Empire troops safely away.

All day and all night aircraft of every type—bombers, flying boats, training machines and civil aircraft packed to capacity with human cargo—flew to safety and returned for more.

The R.A.F. has countless stories of gallantry to tell of the evacuation. **Ships Guarded**

In addition to thousands of men and women brought away by air, thousands more were guarded as they made the journey in big and little ships.

Personnel of no longer existing British air forces in Greece scored perhaps the greatest triumph of six months of arduous campaigning, and though the R.A.F. suffered heavy losses, the enemy suffered far greater.

Air Bases Lost

When, owing to the enemy breakthrough on the left flank, the Army commanders decided to withdraw to a new line, the R.A.F. suffered the severest blow of the campaign. They were forced back to two or three bases only and the odd temporary landing grounds they used at the start. All the new aerodromes which had been built were lost or were too close to the enemy lines to be used.

The enemy hammered at the few remaining bases continuously so that it became impossible to obtain replacements of aircraft. Nevertheless, the available planes took off at all times and inflicted great damage on the enemy forces.

Six Months' Campaign

Details of the campaign before Germany invaded Greece show that at the end of six months of arduous fighting against Italy, R.A.F. bombers had carried out more than 300 raids and nearly 300 enemy aircraft were confirmed as destroyed in the air besides the huge total of aircraft damaged in the air and on the ground.

Deprived Of Nationality

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, May, 4 (UP).—By a decree issued to-day, Marshal Petain has deprived Eve Curie, Henry Bernstein and 27 others of their French citizenship and confiscated their property in the first application of the law empowering Marshal Petain to withdraw the nationality of French citizens abroad who by acts, speeches or writings seek to impede Petain's national revolution or pursue a policy liable to harm French nationalities.

Veteran Airmen To Train Malaysians

Malayan pilots who gained their certificates in Malayan flying clubs and upon the outbreak of war joined the Royal Air Force in Singapore, are to be sent to a fighter squadron now stationed in Malaya, which is equipped with speedy Brewster Buffalo fighters, to be trained as fighter pilots.

Hongkong's Big Part In Supplying Empire Ships

Hongkong's two big shipbuilding yards are working hand in hand with other shipbuilders in the Empire to supply cargo vessels for the merchant fleet.

Both the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd and the Taikoo Dockyard are building handy cargo carriers up to 5,000 tons. The former last year built not only the hull of a fast modern cargo boat, but also her main propelling engines, the largest marine power unit which has come out of this part of the world.

India, ancient builder of ships, is preparing to launch vessels equal to the best of the West.

Although South Africa has no real shipbuilding industry, Durban's well-equipped repairing yard and dry dock are most valuable to-day when shipping goes round the Cape instead of through Suez.

In the last 18 months, Australia has greatly extended her shipbuilding resources. A new shipyard, employing 2,000 men, is being established at Whyalla, South Australia, to build ships of up to 12,000 tons. The famous Cockatoo Island yard can build four ships at one time, while Mort's Dock, Sydney, can turn out two large and several small vessels simultaneously. Both Port Adelaide and Williamstown, with experience of building ships in the last war, still possess expert labour. The equipment of the Commonwealth to handle the engineering side of shipbuilding is shown by the orders to the value of £250,000 for marine propelling engines and auxiliary machinery recently placed in Queensland.

Canada's Role

Canada has now more than doubled the 4,000 skilled workers employed before the war in her 40 shipbuilding and repairing establishments. Contracts for 10 merchant vessels, each of 9,300 tons carrying capacity, have just been placed in Quebec, Montreal and Vancouver.

It is expected that in about a year's time the first of them will be sent down the ways.

These ships, from the Empire, together with the reservoir of new tonnage in U.S.A. are an important addition to the growing expansion of Britain's sea power.



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MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

After-thoughts Of Badminton Season

New Scoring System Suggested For League

Summer Plans For Improvement

(By ("Tinker"))

THE TUMULT and the shouting having died, badminton players reflect back proudly on another successful season having concluded. There is no doubt about this. Attendance at the Championships, which in any sport is the criterion, shows a new record in numbers as was mentioned by the President of the Association, Mr S. A. Gray, at the recent prize distribution.

Greatest contributory factor to this, outside the attraction of the game itself, has been the efforts of the Hon. Secretary, Mr M. Talan. The organisation of the League and the Championships has worked without a hitch. The Press may have done its bit, but in dealing with an official of Mr Talan's character, it is always a pleasure to oblige.

As regards the Championships, the Colony has been afforded matches of a standard never before seen here. The nucleus of stars from the University of Hongkong—K. W. Choy, P. K. Hooi, H. F. Chew, M. P. Young, K. B. Low and Miss Ullian Khoo—have mingled with local luminaries—P. H. Wong, C. A. F. Koh, M. A. Oliveira, H. C. Eardley, Miss M. M. Silva, Miss M. A. Xavier, Miss M. Ribeiro, Mrs Torrible, Mrs Zimmerman and Mrs O. Silva—to create a spectacular whole.

The University have taken every senior title, and not surprisingly they easily won the Senior Divisional championship. The greater interest, perhaps, was wrapped up in the Second Division. Here St John's took the absolute championship when they beat Chung Hwa in the play-off—they being the winners of the "B" and "A" Sections, respectively.

St John's Strength

BUT there's a story behind St John's victory, and it is one which, I think, makes more acceptable a new system of scoring that has been suggested.

St John's were slated to be promoted into the Senior Division for the recently concluded season. But at the annual meeting of the Association they pointed out that of the winning team of 1940 H. C. Eardley most probably would not be available owing to his Naval duties, while Frank Kwok had gone over to Kowloon Tong. They asked, therefore, to be allowed to remain in the Junior Division.

It was decided—by vote at that meeting to allow St John's to remain in the Junior Division for five games—and should they win those five games they would be promoted to the First Division.

They won four and lost one playing against some of the weaker teams of the Section. The vote at the subsequent meeting of the Association was in favour of St John's remaining in the Junior Division.

As it turned out, Eardley, without making any special efforts, was able to turn out for them in most of their matches, and they, consequently, were carried through on the efforts of their two top pairs only. Their third pair was very weak.

Thus there is the position of two strong pairs being able to win a Divisional Championship on their own.

New Scoring System

THERE is no doubt that these two pairs are worthy of the First Division.

And there is no doubt that next year St John's will be in that Division. But to prevent a similar state of affairs, the following suggestion has been made for scoring:

That the result of a match be decided upon the total number of points obtained by each team.

The strength of any team then would be like that of a chain—that of its weakest link, and if the weakest are unable to collect, say, double figures in points each match, it is not likely that against a better balanced side the stronger players will be able to make up the difference. The more-balanced side, therefore, would have a more even chance of winning.

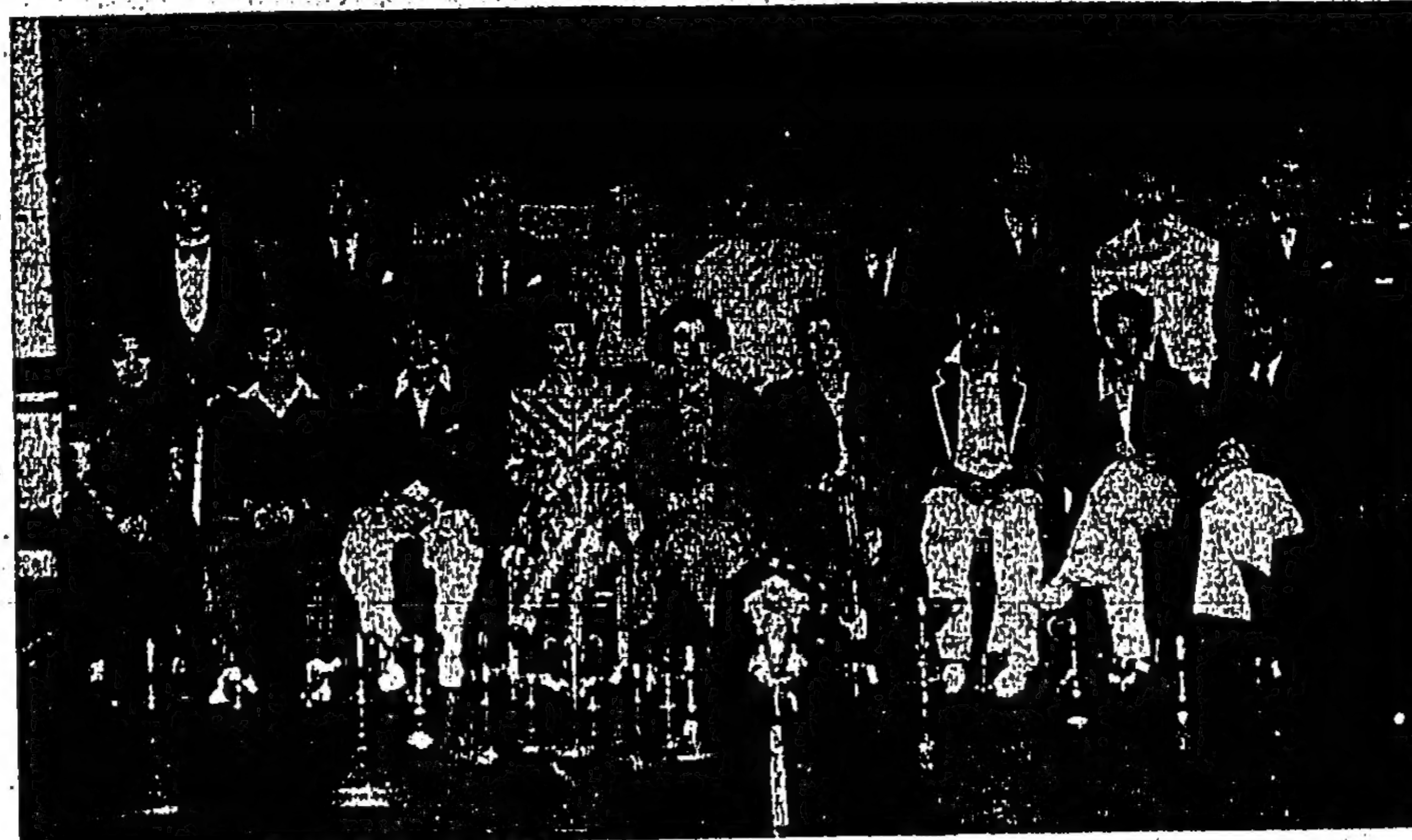
Summer Suggestions

JUNIORS are the mainstay of any game, and in badminton it is hoped that further encouragement will be given to these players. For the summer months, the suggestion is made to all Clubs to hold monthly badminton social evenings.

Had it not been for the Junior Doubles championship this year, there might have been an increase in the Senior Doubles to ten pairs, but what have happened to the remaining 14 pairs that did take part in the junior competition? They would have been without games, for I doubt if they would have had the courage to enter the senior tournament.

Admittedly, some of the junior players were weak, but their very appearance on the court is encouragement to others to enter. This year, the Colony has been very fortunate in that there are so many new players here, but there are a far greater number of juniors who need encouragement.

These social evenings, at which the courts would be thrown open to all badminton players, would do much towards enticing more of these younger players on to the court, and once the start is made, it will be all for the greater good of badminton in Hongkong, for it would inevitably lead to a greater number of entries for the Junior competitions next year.



Officials and winners of the Hongkong Badminton Championships.

Standing: Messrs Jack Shepherd, W. C. Choy, A. L. Fisher, P. Wynter-Blyth, P. H. Wong, D. Kwok, D. Hazel, S. A. Gray (President), M. Talan (Hon. Secretary).

Seated: Miss U. Khoo, Mr H. F. Chew, Mr P. K. Hooi, Mrs Zimmerman, Mrs Torrible, Mrs Castro, Mr K. W. Choy, Mr K. B. Low, Mr C. J. Tacchi.

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE

OFFICIAL OPENING

Recreio Beat Craigengower By Narrow Margin Of One Shot

THE LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE made its official opening on Saturday with a full programme of matches, outstanding feature of which was the defeat of Craigengower, rivals of old, by the Club de Recreio by one shot. Coincidentally, the Valley Second team lost by the same margin to the Prison Officers, newly promoted from the Third Division.

Yesterday a most enjoyable match was played at the Kowloon Cricket Club when the Volunteers Sergeants' Mess beat the home side by eight shots.

The new system of scoring came into operation, but only in the Third Division were any teams able to collect two points. These were the Hongkong F.C. who lost on two rinks to the Kowloon F.C., though the third rink was able to collect a winning margin for the match, and the Club de Recreio who only beat the Hongkong C.C. on one rink but managed to win the match.

Scores in brief were:

FIRST DIVISION			
C.S.C.C. (61)	3½	Kowloon C.C. (63)	1½
Recreio (52)	4	C.C.C. (51)	1
K.B.G.C. "B" (60)	1	Recreio "B" (59)	4
K. Dockes (55)	1	K.B.G.C. (63)	4
I.N.C. (66)	4	Police (56)	1
SECOND DIVISION			
K.F.C. (64)	4	H.K.F.C. (60)	1
K.C.C. (56)	1½	K. Tons (60)	3½
Recreio (64)	1	K.B.G.C. (53)	1
THIRD DIVISION			
H.K.F.C. (62)	3	K.F.C. (64)	2
K.C.C. (57)	2	Recreio (60)	3½
C.C.C. (58)	1	K.B.G.C. (60)	4

Only one seven was scored, and that by R. Duncan (K.B.G.C.) against Recreio "B" in the First Division.

SPORTS ADVT.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 10th MAY, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27784) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Times are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

No Children or amahs will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,
O. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th May, 1941.

Volunteer Sgts Beat Kowloon C. C.

THE Volunteer Sgts-Kowloon C.C. match was five rinks a side. The home team scored on two, losing on the other three, and the final score turned out eight shots in the Sergeants' favour. Totals were Sgts 96, K.C.C. 88.

R. S. Capell, E. C. Curtis, A. J. Kew and J. Fraser (K.C.C.) lost to C.Q.M.S. Casey, Sgt Musket, Sgt Carr and Sgt Sherriff, 17-26.

A. E. Perry, R. T. Burch, F. Goodwin and E. C. Fincher beat Sgt Fowles, Sgt Geale, Sgt Zimmerman and Sgt Meyer, 18-14.

T. R. Hunter, C. W. Jeffries, N. A. E. Mackay and R. S. Meadows lost to C. S. M. Baskett, P/M Mackie, Sgt Steven and B. S. M. Walker, 16-21.

G. Bowden, H. Langley, A. W. Smith and V. C. Labrum lost to S.Q.M.S. Tribble, C.Q.M.S. Leigh, Sgt Lockhart and Sgt Rakusen, 18-22.

A. E. P. Guest, A. H. Martin, W. W. Parsons and T. A. Madar beat Sgt Baptista, Sgt J. D. Remedios, Sgt J. C. Remedios and C.Q.M.S. Silva 16-13.

Favourites Fail In Kentucky Derby

Whirlaway Sets Record

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky, May 3 (UP)—A crowd of 100,000, the largest ever to witness a horse race in North America, saw Mr Warren Wright's Whirlaway win the Kentucky Derby to-day by eight lengths in the record time of two minutes one and two-fifths seconds, which broke the previous best time established in 1931 by two-fifths of a second.

Ridden by the veteran jockey, Eddie Arcaro, who rode Lavrin to his Derby triumph in 1938, Whirlaway was held far back until the final turn, when he outprinted the field.

Dispute was leading until the three-quarter post, where he weakened. Thereupon Whirlaway wore down Porter's Cap and Blue Pair and won handily.

Staretor was second and Marketwise third.

The track was hard and fast. Showers had been forecast.

Fast Track

Porter's Cap, owned by Mr C. S. Howard and the West's hope for the first California Derby winner, and Our Boots, which was last year's juvenile champion, were the outstanding choices at odds respectively of 2 to 1 and 5 to 2.

Other odds earlier were: Whirlaway 8/1; Dispute 8/1; Robert Morris 10/1; Blue Pair 15/1; Little Beans 20/1; Marketwise 25/1.

Porter's Cap, which finished fourth in the race, had won the \$50,000 Santa Anita Handicap and holds the fastest work-out time for the mile and quarter.

The winner of the race gets about \$100,000.

Sappers Beat Canadians In First Baseball Game

Forum Nose Out Canucks In Softball's Final "Hate"

THE ROYAL ENGINEERS opened their baseball season with a great victory over the Canadians at Caroline Hill on Saturday, clouting in five runs in the 1st and 3rd frames and holding the Canucks to three singles tallies in the 1st, 2nd and 6th.

Yesterday, Softball's final game—the annual classic between the Hongkong English Forum and the Canadian Chinese—resulted in a 3-2 win for the latter, the issue being decided in the last inning only.

Softball's Canadians belted in one in the 3rd and another in the 5th. The Forumers were held blank over these frames and only in the sixth and final innings did they get moving. Two runs in the sixth and then the winner in the seventh—all on passed balls—brought them a win that puts them 3-2 ahead in this annual fight.

Scores in brief were:

BASEBALL			
Canadians:	1	0	0
Runs:	1	0	0
Hits:	1	0	1
Errors:	1	0	1
Forum:	3	0	0
Runs:	3	0	0
Hits:	1	0	0
Errors:	1	0	0

SOFTBALL			
Canucks:	0	0	1
Runs:	0	0	1
Hits:	0	0	1
Errors:	0	0	1
Forum:	0	0	0
Runs:	0	0	0
Hits:	0	0	0
Errors:	0	0	0

Girls Match

AT STUBBS ROAD, on Saturday, Canton's Truett College girls swamped Chung Hwa 11-2, proving that the schoolgirls are all set for the League next year.

Yvonne Poon clouted in a homer for Chung Hwa, and in reply Margie Woo and Lai Bk-wong connected for non-stop circuit trips.

In the final innings of the game, the College girls scored five to climax the run-around.

Poor Cash Sweep Prizes At Macao

MACAO, May 4.—Results of the cash sweeps in to-day's racing were:

First Race			
No. 226	350	\$315.40	
" 350	30	\$0.50	
" 30	30	\$0.50	
Unplaced ponies (\$25.00 each): Nos. 147, 103.			
Second Race			
No. 360	19	\$364.00	
" 19	74	\$5.40	
" 74	74	\$7.70	
Unplaced pony (\$20.00): No. 504.			
Third Race			
No. 130	102	\$202.10	
" 102	102	\$3.40	
" 102	102	\$4.50	
Unplaced pony (\$40.00): No. 314.			
Fourth Race			
No. 387	102	\$206.70	
" 102	102	\$4.50	
" 102	102	\$4.50	
Unplaced pony (\$40.00): No. 358.			
Fifth Race			
No. 04703	102	\$7,424.00	
" 102	102	\$21.42	
" 102	102	\$30.71	
Unplaced ponies (\$100.15 each): Nos. 04142, 01502, 23090, 06409, 10344, 08201, 06011, 22430, 10200, 20472, 21104.—Our Own Correspondent.			

JACK DOYLE: "I WAS SOLD LIKE A RACEHORSE"

Bankruptcy Examination

JACK DOYLE, the boxer and singer, attending London Bankruptcy Court for his public examination, stated that his contract was so worded that if he opened a taxi door and received a 6d tip, 25 per cent. of it would have to be paid over.

Questioned about part of his manager's percentage of purses for fights being sold, Mr Doyle said: "I was sold like a racehorse. I was just a child then and did not know much about it."

His liabilities amounted to £1,689 and he had no assets. Mr Doyle stated that he had his mother dependent on him. "I gave her at least £8 a week," he explained. "I have supported her all my life."

Mr A. L. West, Senior Official Receiver: However nice it is to live in this way, do you realise it is wrong and unjustifiable? My expenses are heavy everywhere I go. I spend a lot each week.

Mr Doyle said he would pay over to his trustee what money he could for creditors.

The examination was closed.

Hongkong C.C. Mixed Doubles Final To-day

Open Finals On Wednesday And Friday

The finals of the Colony Singles and Doubles Championship, the Club Championship and Club Handicap events will take place this week on the Hongkong Cricket Club courts, weather permitting. The programme is as follows:

To-day
Handicap Mixed Doubles—J. S. Theobald and Mrs Torrible (-10) v. D. C. Duncanson and Miss J. Smalley (-3.0) (Stand Court).

To-morrow
Club Handicap Singles, semi-final—G. W. Sewell (-4.0) v. T. J. Gould (13.2) (Stand Court).

Club Handicap Doubles, semi-final—C. H. R. Oxlade and A. H. Barwell (-10.2) v. R. H. Blake and H. C. D. Knight (-3.0) (8).

Wednesday
Open Singles, final—T. Wai-pui v. T. Yau-pui (Stand Court).

Club Handicap Doubles, final—Oxlade and Barwell or Blake and Knight v. T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould (-15.2) (8).

Thursday
Club Championship, final—C. H. R. Oxlade v. M. Fagh (holder) (Stand Court).

Friday
Open Doubles, final—S. A. and H. D. Rumliah (holders) v. T. Wai-pui and T. Yau-pui (Stand Court).

K.C.C. PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

Impromptu Concert

DISTRIBUTION of prizes for the past season took place at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday night. Mrs E. C. Fincher, wife of the Club Captain, presented the winners with their awards.

A good gathering of members indulged in an impromptu concert prior to the prize distribution, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The following was the prize list:

Lawn Bowls
Club Championship—Winner, J. Fraser; Runner-up, A. W. Ramsey.

Handicap Singles—Winner, R. T. Broadbridge; Runner-up, J. Fraser.

Handicap Pairs—Winners, F. Goodwin and R. S. Meadows; Runners-up, G. E. Taylor and J. Hemmery.

Roger Lindell Cup—Winner, E. Kern; Runner-up, J. Goodwin.

Tyro Competition—Winner, R. T. Broadbridge; Runner-up, W. W. Parsons.

Jack Hirst Shield—W. Hemmery, A. H. Martin, L. Jack and A. W. Ramsey (cup).

Tennis
Senior Championship—Winner, A. Crawford; Runner-up, A. E. P. Guest.

Junior Championship—Winner, G. M. Giffard; Runner-up, N. A. E. Mackay.

Senior Handicap Singles—Winner, A. E. P. Guest; Runner-up, E. C. Fincher.

Junior Handicap Singles—Winner, R. S. Capell; Runner-up, R. Kios.

Senior Doubles—Handicap—Winners, D. J. N. Anderson and Frank Gross; Runners-up, E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett.

Billiards and Snooker
Senior Championship—Winner, J. H. S. Duncan; Runner-up, J. C. Curtis.

Junior Championship—Winner, A. E. Carey; Runner-up, A. H. Martin.

Snooker—Winner, J. R. Luke; Runner-up, A. H. Martin.

Cricket
Batting 1st XI—E. F. Fincher. Bowling—D. J. W. Anderson.

Batting 2nd XI—F. J. Lay. Bowling—R. Baldwin.

Polo Club
Gymkhana Postponed
Owing to the long spell of wet weather, the Polo Club Gymkhana has been postponed until Saturday, May 24.

CONSTABLE KEPT FINES MONEY
P.C. Albert Childs (36), assistant warrant officer at Bromley (Kent) police court, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment at that court recently for embezzling £41—fines which it was his duty to collect.

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NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



Nazi Fraus And French Charmers

According to the Berlin correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News," the latest problem which faces the Nazi leaders is to convince the women of Germany that their husbands are not succumbing to the blandishments of the ladies of France.

An article in the current issue of the "Schwarzerkops" scolds irresponsible gossipers, and offers "relief and comfort to hearts which are unnecessarily tortured."

It says: "No, dear German women, there is nothing in the story of the warrior from the north who succumbs to the charms of the deceiving siren and, like Tannhauser in the Venusberg mountain, forgets his own home in the process."

German wives, the article adds, "know, of course, that their men would not behave improperly, but the worm gnaws at their hearts, and next time their men come home and do not sleep because the coffee they bring with them is too strong, then it is the charming French women who have appeared to them in their sleep."

No More Ice Cream In Italy

Ice-cream and pastry are to be barred in Italy, and the ration of oil, butter and pork is to be cut to 12 ounces per person monthly, half the previous allowance.

Rome Radio's comment was meant as a comfort to the Italians for their loss.

"Letters of complaint have reached me about the misuse of foodstuffs, especially of butter," said the commentator. "Cannot we do without pastry? The letters ask. Certain pastry shops are the centres of attraction for the sobs of the feudal aristocracy and feudal intellectuals, and places where defeatist stories are spread. So say the letters."

Palates Hit

"I feel like answering: Just you wait a little my good people, and you will see that the Government will meet your demands. The logical consequences of the restrictive use of fats has come, and pastries and ice-cream are forbidden. The palates of some people will be hit and also their special brand of irresponsibility."

"Conversations between people who manifest pessimism in all but in their appetites will be reduced. It has become impossible now for certain degenerates to satisfy their caprices."

Juan Ready For Throne Of Spain

Prince Juan, heir-designate to the non-existent Spanish Throne, has declared formally his readiness to return to Spain as King when the day of restoration comes, reports Associated Press from Rome, quoting Spanish royalist sources.

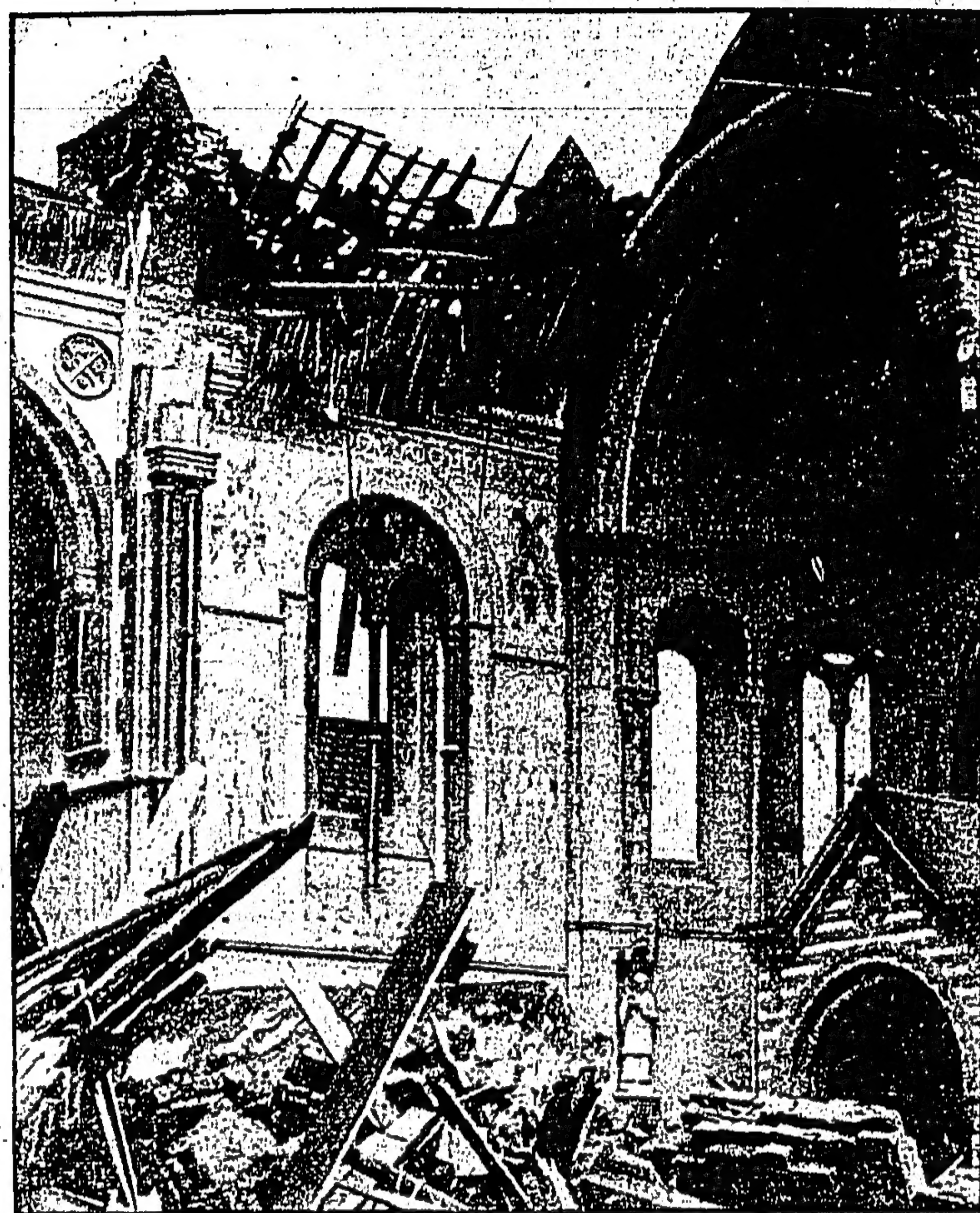
When the royalists met recently the Prince pledged himself to uphold the principles of his father, the late Alfonso XIII.

The Prince was reported to have told the royalists the day of restoration "may not be far off."

Sure Ways To Get Rid Of A Wife

FORT WORTH, Texas, May 2 (UP).—Dr. A. L. Porterfield, who conducts a class on marriage and family life at Texas Christian University, lists the following "sure" ways to get rid of a wife:

1. Learn to flick cigarette ashes on the floor with maximum damage to the rug.
2. Never have fewer than four rusty razor blades scattered on the bathroom floor.
3. Go home late for dinner at least three times a week.



RUINS OF A MANCHESTER CHURCH. This was one of the many non-military objectives bombed by the Germans during their recent blitz on the city.

Italians In U.S. Form Anti-Mussolini Party

A GROUP of Italians in the United States is now making what appears to be a serious effort to form a Free Italy body on the lines of the Free French organisation of General de Gaulle.

This movement would have two objectives: 1. Establishment in the U. S. of an anti-Fascist Italian Government which would be headed by Count Carlo Sforza, formerly Foreign Minister in Italy, and who was Italian Ambassador to France when Mussolini came to power. Count Sforza is now lecturer at Virginia University.

Secret War Training For New York Police

By PIERRE VILLERE

United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, May 2 (UP).—A special emergency squad of 300 picked members of the New York police has been secretly trained in all phases of civilian protection against modern warfare, but what their new duties will be is a deep, dark secret.

War experts have agreed that even if this country enters the war, there is little likelihood that New York City will be bombed. For that reason, the men themselves are speculating on whether they might not be sent away from the city.

One belief was that the emergency squad might train others here and then go to England to take up the places of civilian defenders, thus releasing able-bodied men for the British Army.

Six Weeks' Training
The men were trained for six weeks, and after their course was completed, they were returned quietly to their normal posts. Every precaution was taken to prevent details of their training from becoming known.

Only men especially skilled in various trades and crafts were chosen. They were given a rigid physical examination, and sent for routine training to the School for the Soldier on Randall's Island.

They were taught the methods found most successful in London of coping with emergencies due to building collapses, such as might be caused by bombings.

establishing police lines. They learned to use and care for life nets. In addition, special stress was laid on the handling and removal of bombs of all types. Every man on the squad is proficient in two-way radio operation and field broadcasting.

Defence Speed-up

These men were made sufficiently familiar with all phases of this work to enable them to serve as instructors if necessary, teaching others the art of loading and unloading emergency trucks, dynamiting buildings that would be hazardous if left standing, and enforcing black-outs.

The formation of the special emergency squad brought the police department into the city's master defence programme along with the health and fire departments. All other city departments and agencies are organizing under a speed-up order which calls for them to be ready to take their places in the city's defence plan, if needed.

TANKS AND SHELLS FROM SALVAGE

Last year, over the whole of Britain, sufficient scrap metal—200,000 tons—was salvaged to make ten cargo ships, 1,000 Army tanks and 20,000,000 shells. These official figures were given by the Ministry of Supply. Good as these figures are, the Ministry thinks still more could be done.

2. The creation of an officers' corps which would be sent to Libya to organize a revolutionary army among captured troops in preparation for invasion of Italy. This force, it is proposed, would train in Canada.

Fought in Spain

Some of the group, which is at present attempting to start a Free Italy movement, hope it may be possible to get Randolpho Picoardi, who commanded the Garibaldi Brigade, which fought on the side of the Republican forces in Spain, to lead the projected officers' corps.

Professor Max Ascoli, of the New School for Social Research in New York, one of the leading anti-Fascist Italian-Americans in this city, was anxious to stress the fact that the movement is so far in a preliminary stage.

He would not say what the British reaction was, but in another quarter it was said the British authorities have indicated tentatively that they may be willing to give encouragement and perhaps definite backing to such a movement.

Eccentric Barber's New Coiffure

ERIE, Pennsylvania, May 2 (UP).—The question of what constitutes a haircut was taken under legal advisement here recently.

A certain eccentric barber, addicted to drinking while at work, ran his clippers across the top of a woman customer's head from original coiffure of his own creation.

The customer complained to police who sent a detective to investigate. The officer returned to headquarters with a woman's head in his hands. "That barber had my hair off before I could raise a finger," he said.

HE GOT 2,000 FT. LIFT

Gunner James Griffiths had one of the greatest adventures of the war recently.

It involved an unexpected trip of 2,000 feet above the earth.

And it was all due to a misunderstanding.

When a barrage balloon began to ascend at a Western town, Gunner Griffiths thought it had broken from its moorings.

Hoping to retard its rising—actually it was going aloft normally—he gripped a guide-rope.

This he twisted round his waist and legs. He gripped another rope with his teeth.

Crew Horrified

The horrified crew saw him ascend to 2,000 feet before they could check the balloon.

Then, as people gasped, they lowered it to the ground.

Gunner Griffiths was quite safe, thank you.

DEFICIENT DIET WILL KILL MORE THAN FIGHTING

PITTSBURGH, May 2 (UP).

The present European food blockade may claim a far greater toll of life than actual fighting, according to Dr Charles C. Higgins, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Diet deficiencies, caused by lack of vitally essential foodstuffs, will be responsible for havoc among the European people in the present war, according to the nutrition expert.

Research after the Great War, according to Dr Higgins, "showed an increase in kidney stones due to diet deficiencies."

It also showed that German children born during the war were on an average shorter than children who lived under circumstances where all dietary items were plentiful.

Dane Hit A Nazi, Gets 4 Years

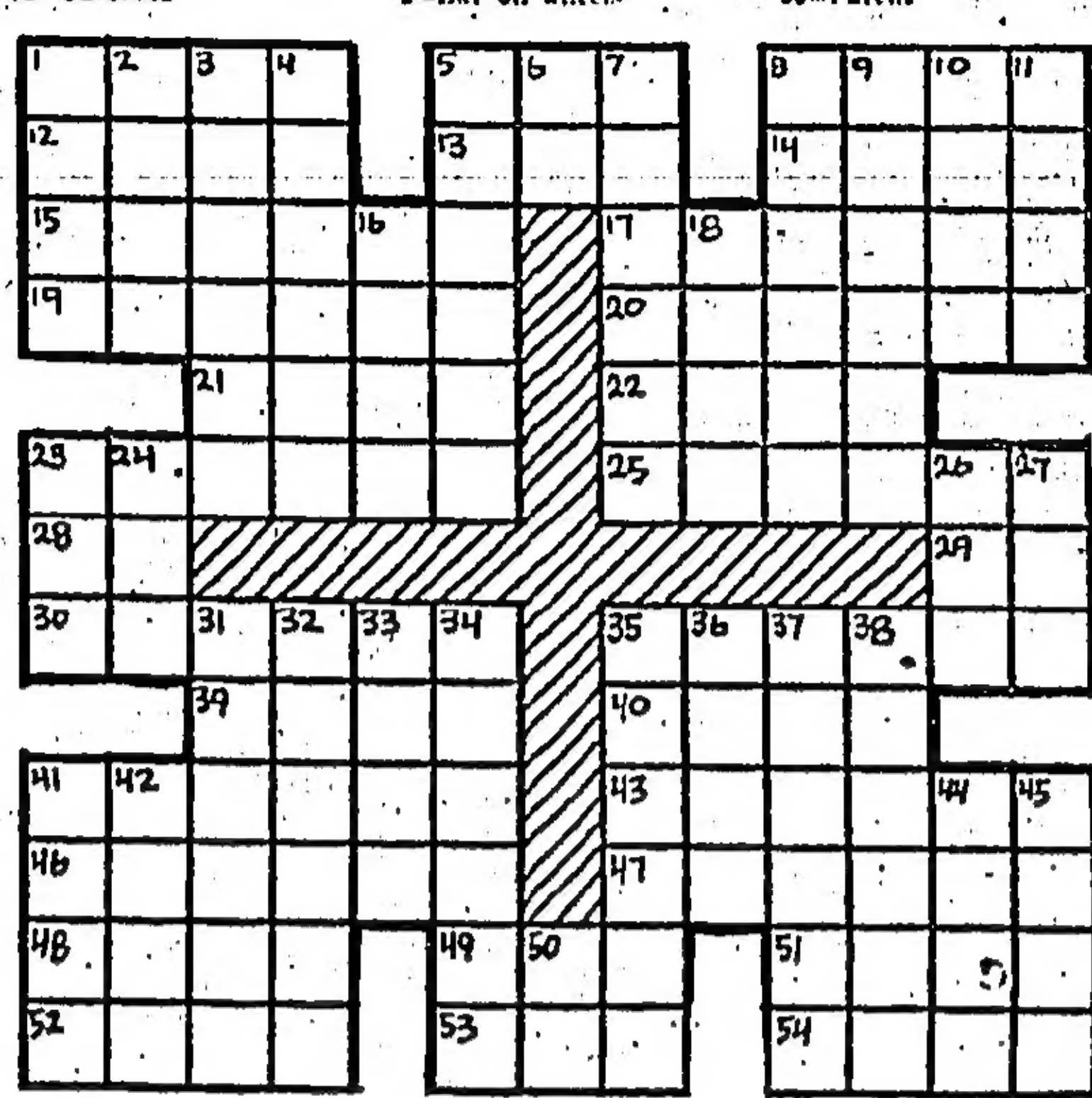
A Copenhagen Court has sentenced four Danes to long terms of imprisonment for attacking German soldiers.

One Dane was sentenced to four years for felling a German with an empty whisky bottle.

Crossword Puzzle

By LANS MORRIS

- ACROSS
- 1—Gilt
 - 2—Worries
 - 3—Dandies
 - 4—Way out
 - 5—Sea (Dutch)
 - 6—District
 - 7—Warily
 - 8—Pertaining to Spring
 - 9—Nudge again
 - 10—Wandering
 - 11—On grand scale
 - 12—Disturbance
 - 13—Hasten measure of length
 - 14—Drainpipes
 - 15—King of Babylon
 - 16—Exclamation
 - 17—Made of straw
 - 18—Niece
 - 19—Milk food
 - 20—Annoy
 - 21—Pettie soil
 - 22—Clio by
 - 23—Knocks over
 - 24—Customary
 - 25—Part of meter
 - 26—Therefore
 - 27—Printer's unit
 - 28—Look amorously
 - 29—Observed
- DOWN
- 1—Shakespearean king
 - 2—Star on wheels
 - 3—Billy smile
 - 4—Tends down
 - 5—Mexican Indians
 - 6—French article
 - 7—Crowbars
 - 8—Give birth to
 - 9—Over-decorated
 - 10—Mason's hammer
 - 11—Sooty-shafted
 - 12—Short sleep
 - 13—Narrow lake
 - 14—Warrior
 - 15—Novel by H. Rider
 - 16—Hazard
 - 17—Laid English
 - 18—Yachtsman
 - 19—Otherwise
 - 20—Required
 - 21—Loutish
 - 22—Aspire
 - 23—City in Pennsylvania
 - 24—Come out
 - 25—Sharp
 - 26—Knowledge
 - 27—Web-like membrane
 - 28—Let it stand
 - 29—Parent



EMPEROR'S GIRL SOLDIER

Marches To Fight Italians

With the Emperor Haile Selassie's expeditionary force which has marched into Abyssinia is one woman. She is Miss Banichygu Kidani, a 23-year-old nurse, who was once condemned to death by the Italians.

She disguised herself as a boy to join the expedition.

Put Amongst Lepers

"I appealed to the Emperor to allow me to accompany his troops as a hospital nurse," she said, "but he refused on the ground that the journey would be too severe for a woman."

"So I cut off my hair, disguised myself as a soldier, and marched, until one day the Emperor recognised me, and, since it was too late to send me back, allowed me to remain."

Miss Kidani's father, a colonel in the Emperor's army, was hanged by the Italians in the market-place at Addis Ababa 10 months ago.

Captured in the Abyssinian war, Miss Kidani was imprisoned in Addis Ababa by the Italians, who ordered her execution. With the aid of an American missionary, she got some medicine which made her so violently ill that the Italian authorities, believing her to be suffering from an infectious and fatal disease, put her in the Abyssinian leper colony.

A Swedish doctor, helped her to escape and, after many adventures, she reached a Sudanese outpost. In 1939 she returned to Abyssinia to join the rebels.

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Half Of Iraqi Air Force Destroyed

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at Habbaniyah, it was revealed here to-day. "sanctuary" was promptly violated by the Iraq forces surrounding the station.

Imperial troops now in Iraq, despite overt provocation by Iraqi troops, are occupying only certain points essential to the fulfilment of the Anglo-Iraq Treaty terms, it is stated here.

Oil Concession Ban
VICHY, May 4 (Reuters).—Rashid Ali has ordered work on the Iraq Petroleum Company's concession to be suspended, according to a Baghdad dispatch received here.

It is reported that certain refineries are to continue work for the benefit of Rashid Ali's troops.

Meeting In Trans-Jordan
CAIRO, May 4 (Reuters).—It is understood that the developments in Iraq were given consideration at a luncheon given yesterday by Emir Abdullah of Trans-Jordan in honour of H.R.H. Emir Abdul Illah, ex-Regent of Iraq, his nephew, says a despatch from Amman.

Several former Iraq Ministers and leaders as well as Arab leaders from Palestine and Trans-Jordan also attended the luncheon.

Turkey's Position
ANKARA, May 4 (Reuters).—Sir Hugh Knatchbull, Huggessen, the British Ambassador, saw M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, to-day when doubtless following the usual practice, the Ambassador informed M. Sarajoglu of all the latest developments in the Iraqi situation.

The Turks appear to have the fullest understanding and sympathy with Britain's attitude and deplore Rashid Ali's action which was inspired by the Axis. His appeal for German help has actively lowered his stock here because if the Axis could give him effective help, which is regarded as most unlikely, the result will be further encirclement of Turkey by the Axis.

In unofficial Turkish circles, regret is expressed that Britain has allowed matters to go so far and did not act earlier in the face of strong German agitation in Arab states and in Iran.

The leading light in the German trouble-making machine in the Near East is believed to be Herr Franz von Papen himself, who is returning here shortly. With his return, the Reich may be expected to redouble its efforts to embroil the British.

The statement alleged to have been made by the Baghdad radio that the Arabs are fighting in Palestine may perhaps indicate coming German attempts to cause trouble there.

Latest Rome Report
ROME, May 4 (UP).—A dispatch to the "Messaggero" from Damascus says that the Ibn Saud has concentrated troops on the Iraq and Trans-Jordan frontiers.

LIVERPOOL HAS BAD BLITZ

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the "remarkable" contrast of a single Liverpool plane being lost although at least 10 German raiders are known to have been destroyed.

The widespread attacks of the R.A.F. stretched from Boulogne to the heart of industrial Germany and to Brest where repeated day and night attacks are credited with keeping the German battle cruisers Sharnhorst and Gneisenau immobilized and preventing them from re-entering the Atlantic to menace the vital United States supplies.

The record breaking total of 16 German planes were victims of the improved British night defences.

Bombs on Germany
BERLIN, May 4 (UP).—British bombers visited west Germany last night and dropped high explosive and incendiary bombs. Several private houses were hit but the fires were quickly extinguished. Several civilians were killed and wounded. German anti-aircraft fire hindered the bombing.

Raided Again
LIVERPOOL, May 4 (UP).—Liverpool and Merseyside were raided again for the fourth successive night. Raiders were also reported over districts on the northwest coast.

Appeal By Deposed Regent

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Ind may have erred in the past, but under Hitler there can be no future for the Arab world. It was England which liberated the Arabs of Iraq and aided them to become a proud independent people. We therefore believe that it would be in the best interests of Iraq and all other Arab states to maintain traditional friendly relations with Britain and attempt to adjust all differences by means of direct negotiations with the British representatives and the Arab world.

Hitler Changing His Mind About War

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his views on the importance of American aid to Britain. They indicated that tanks and planes are rolling off the assembly lines in increasing numbers and said that bombers are being flown directly to Britain from Canada while tanks are being shipped to the trouble zones in Africa and elsewhere.

Military sources said they "questioned the accuracy of Hitler's report regarding the Germans lost in the Balkan war. This is far below the estimates reaching the United States through military channels."

Full report of speech on Page Five.

Full Story Of How Rex Was Stolen & Recovered

Recently the "Telegraph" published an account of how Rex, a Scotch collie, was stolen in Shanghai, brought to Hongkong, rescued here by the S.P.C.A., and returned to its owner.

A fuller account of how the dog was stolen and found again is given by the "North China Daily News", and is reprinted here.

Rex left Shanghai as an unwilling stowaway and returned as a first class dog passenger. The Chief Officer said that when the ship tied up it was about the first time Rex had been in his kennel and that he had been a general favourite with the officers and passengers.

Organized Dog Stealers
Rex was undoubtedly a victim of the organized gang of dog thieves that until recently has been stealing dogs and shipping them to Hongkong for sale. The usual procedure was followed. A hole had been cut in the fence during the night and when one of the servants allowed Rex to take his morning run in the garden, the thieves, by one of their various methods, evidently persuaded him to attempt to leave the garden through the breach in the fence. A noise, similar to that used by the Municipal dog catchers was most likely slipped round his neck and the dog was dragged out. Marks of his claws in the soft earth showed that he had tried to resist.

As soon as it was discovered that Rex was missing, the Police were notified and the report of his loss was put over the teletype. A block was made from a photograph of the dog and a printed notice offering a reward of \$150 and giving a description of him was posted outside every police station. The S.P.C.A. was also notified and was asked to circulate their cards and find Rex. Circulars in Chinese were issued and the reward was gradually increased from \$150 to \$500. The loss of the dog was advertised in English, Chinese and Russian newspapers and over the radio without effect.

Description Sent to Colony
When reliable information was received by the S.P.C.A. that stolen dogs were being smuggled on board coasting vessels bound for Hongkong, the Society sent descriptions of the photographs of three stolen dogs that could be readily identified to the Secretary of the Hongkong S.P.C.A. and asked his assistance in finding them. Almost immediately a cablegram was received from the Hongkong Society announcing that Rex had been found and inquiring if any Hongkong resident could identify him.

The cabled reply was that the only person whose home was in that port and who knew Rex was a lady temporarily living in Shanghai. The Hongkong Government officials, not knowing the name of the owner, rightly wished to make certain that the claimant had not received a full description of the dog from someone in Hongkong as Rex had been found by the Hongkong S.P.C.A. in a bird shop, where he was said to have been for two months before that Society had been asked to find him. Incidentally, Rex was found six months to the day from the date he was stolen.

Mr F. H. Loseby, Vice-President of the Hongkong Society, kindly gave his personal guarantee that the collie would not be shipped from Hongkong until he was satisfied that the dog was the one claimed and obtained permission to place Rex in the Hongkong S.P.C.A.'s Dogs Home, where he was given attention as he could scarcely walk after his long confinement.

Thanks to the co-operation given to the S.P.C.A. by the Customs authorities, who have issued an order that all vessels are to be searched for dogs smuggled on board before a ship leaves port, and to similar orders issued by the principal steamship companies to their officers, the export of stolen dogs from Shanghai practically ceased in February 1941, as far as river and sea traffic is concerned.

The S.P.C.A. greatly appreciates the close co-operation extended to it by its sister Society in Hongkong and is grateful to Mrs. F. H. Loseby for her care of Rex during the time he was in the Hongkong Society's Dogs Home.

How Teddy Joyce Found Fame
Teddy Joyce, the dance band leader, who collapsed in Glasgow recently after performing with his band, died later.

It was stated that he was suffering from spinal fever.

He was a Canadian, and his real name was Edmund John Cuthbertson. He was originally an eccentric dancer, but in the hands of Louis K. Sidney, to whom he owed his career, jumped into fame as a conductor. For four years as a young man he earned £275 a week personal salary.

After working in Hollywood he went to England and formed his own orchestra.

War May Recall Boyish Bob

Thousands of women in Britain who depend on the skill of chemists to keep their golden tresses golden are being "blackened out" by the Government's restrictive orders against luxury articles.

Hairdressers are forecasting a revolution in hairdressing styles also because of the great hairpin shortage. They predict a return to the shingle or page boy bob.

Soviet Ships For China Seas

CHUNGKING, May 5 (Central News).—Nine Soviet steamers will soon ship articles of daily necessity from Vladivostok to Shanghai, and a Soviet shipping company will also be organized to undertake shipping in the China Sea, including the transportation of rice and coal to Shanghai, says a Shanghai report.

Price of rice, coal and other commodities in the port city are expected to drop considerably, if the Soviet shipping project is realised.

Shanghai Pleased
SHANGHAI, May 5 (Reuters).—In view of the acute dearth of bottoms, the reported Soviet plans to place nine Soviet vessels in service between Shanghai and southern waters have aroused considerable interest here.

The vessels are said to be arriving at Shanghai shortly from Vladivostok, bringing large cargoes of daily necessities, and will then be put in service for the transportation of general freight between Shanghai and such points as Manila and Saigon and possibly farther south.

It is also reported that the Soviet authorities are planning to open an office here to handle shipping business.

If the Soviet plan is true, it is believed that it would provide a great reduction of price of such commodities as rice and coal and might have a salutary effect on living costs and freight rates which are at present prohibitive.

Fire In Tsun Wan

A fire broke out in Tsun Wan Village, New Territories South, yesterday, at 10.15 a.m., according to a Police report. Several huts were burnt but the fire was eventually put out by the villagers.

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British Night Fighters Establish New Record

LONDON, May 4 (Reuters).—Destruction by fighters of 14 of the 16 enemy bombers shot down during Saturday night was the Fighter Command's most successful night of the war, states the Air Ministry.

Further claims for destruction of others are being investigated. The highest number of raiders previously brought down in one night was 13 and of these one was brought down by anti-aircraft fire and another by unspecified means.

Last night's achievement brings the total down over Britain in the first three nights in May to 21.

In addition, one was brought down by British fighters over France on Friday night.

Of 163 brought down in raids on Britain in April, 84 fell to British fighters.

Since the war began, the Luftwaffe in day and night raids on Britain has now lost 3,327 planes.

Effective Night Fighters
LONDON, May 4 (Reuters).—Condemning that 10 enemy aircraft were destroyed last night, an Air Ministry communique says that one of them was brought down by a balloon barrage and two by anti-aircraft fire.

The remainder were shot down by British fighters, one over Northern France.

Enemy aircraft crossed the south-east and south-west coasts in daylight to-day, penetrating a few miles inland but no bombing is reported.

Night Alert
LONDON, May 4 (Reuters).—London had a night alert for the second night in succession after a full of eight days.

No gunfire was heard for some time after the alarm.

Raiders were reported over several parts of Britain.

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